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(*Mr. Jervis.*)

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### CORPORATION OF ABINGDON.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Last day of January in the 5th of Elizabeth.

BY Indenture between *John Royse*, citizen and mercer of London, of the one part, and the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses of Abingdon, Berks, of the other part, whereby certain premises in Birchin-lane, within the city of London, and now let to the London Assurance Corporation for 80*l.* per annum, and disbursed as under, pursuant to the said Indenture.

#### *Royse's Free Grammar School.*

PAYMENT OF RENT:			DISBURSEMENTS:		
	£.	s. d.		£.	s. d.
Of the London Assurance Corporation, one year's Rent to Michaelmas 1832 - - -	80	- -	To the Visitor, and for preaching a Sermon, and other small outgoings, amounting to -	5	14 10
			The remainder to the Master of the Free Grammar School -	74	5 2
	£.80	- -		£.80	- -

*Robert Mayott*, by his Will of this date, (12th of October 1676,) gave two meadows lying in Sandford and Ifley, now let at 120*l.* per annum; the rent of one meadow is applied for clothing poor boys and girls, born and bred in the town of Abingdon; the other meadow is for putting out apprentice three poor boys of the same place yearly; and when the funds do admit, four have been put out.

There is also a malthouse in the Abbey, in Abingdon, the rent whereof is 18*l.* per annum, and the amount is applied annually to clothe poor men and women in Abingdon.

*Edward Bedwell*, by his Will, gave 250*l.* which purchased 255*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* in the Reduced Three and a half per Cents, the interest whereof, now amounting to 8*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* is given away weekly, to sixteen poor widows, in Abingdon, in bread, every Sunday, in Saint Helen's Church.

#### *Saint John's Hospital, founded before the Reformation.*

The Corporation, by Charter, is charged with paying 1*s.* per week to six poor men residing therein. The Corporation have since added 1*s.* per week to each of the six poor men.

*Mr. Edward Beasley*, by an Indenture of this date, (5th July 1825,) ordered his trustees to transfer 700*l.* Three per Cent Reduced Annuities, to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses of the borough of Abingdon, and they were to pay the clear dividends on Good Friday, yearly, amongst the poor men, women and children of the parishes of Saint Helen and Saint Nicholas, in Abingdon, and the hamlets of Shippon, Sandford, Northcourt, Barton and Pumney, who should be afflicted with the scurvy, palsy and other chronic diseases, or to so many as the proceeds would relieve by giving them 2*s.* each.

The said Edward Beasley, by the same Deed, gave 600*l.* stock in the Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, to the said Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses, the dividends of which he ordered to be paid to the almsfolk in Twitty's Almshouse, in Abingdon, for ever, which has been done ever since the 2d day of November 1825.

The said Edward Beasley, by the same Deed, gave 600*l.* stock in the Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, to the said Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses of the borough of Abingdon, the dividends of which he ordered to be paid to the almsfolk in Saint John's Almshouse in the Vineyard, in Abingdon, for ever, which has been done ever since the second day of November 1825.

#### *Frederick Klein's Charity.*

By his Will, without date, in the year 1823, gave to certain trustees, named in his Will, 1,000*l.*, the interest of the same to be distributed to the poor in Abingdon, Berks; and on 13th February 1828, by a Decree of the Court of Chancery, the said sum of 1,000*l.* and the savings thereof (after deducting the costs of the suit) were transferred to the Mayor and principal Burgesses of the borough of Abingdon, and purchased 1,022*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* in the Three per Cent. Annuities; and it was ordered, that out of the dividends, pursuant to the Master's Report, the Town Clerk should be paid 6*s.* 8*d.*, and the remainder distributed by the said Mayor and principal Burgesses to the poor of Abingdon, pursuant to the said Decree, which has been done accordingly.

*Sir Thomas Smith's Charity.*

Five pounds to be disposed of yearly, on Ash Wednesday, by the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses of the borough of Abingdon, to fifty poor persons at 2s. each. From what fund the sum is paid does not appear, but is from time to time paid by the Chamberlain of the corporation.

*Mr. Thomas Knapp's Charity.*

By Will, of this date, (17th April 1731) the said Thomas Knapp gave the sum of 100*l.* to the Mayor and principal Burgesses of this borough, the interest of which, amounting to 5*l.* have been paid annually, as under, by virtue of the said Will.

	£.	s.	d.
To the Town Clerk - - - - -	-	-	3 4
To the Head Serjeant - - - - -	-	-	2 -
The residue to the Poor of Abingdon, at 2s. each, which has been paid regularly by the Chamberlain of the corporation - - }	4	14	8
	£.5	-	-

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Abingdon.*

NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	YEARS when they respectively served the Office of Mayor, or Justice of the Peace.
Henry John Shepherd	Esquire - -	Recorder and Justice of the Peace by virtue of his office.
John Francis Spenlove	Esquire - -	Mayor in 1821 and 1832; Justice, 1812, 1816, 1819, 1820, 1822, 1824, 1826 and 1829.
Thomas Knight -	Gentleman -	Mayor in 1812, 1815, 1819, 1823, 1827, 1831, and Justice of the Peace in 1813, 1816, 1818, 1820, 1822, 1824, 1826, 1828, 1829, 1830 and 1832.
James Cole - -	Gentleman -	Mayor in 1816, 1818, 1822, 1825 and 1829; Justice in 1815, 1817, 1819, 1821, 1823, 1826, 1828 and 1832.
John Vindin Collingwood.	Butcher - -	Mayor in 1830; Justice in 1829 and 1831.
Charles King - -	Grocer - -	Mayor in 1828; Justice in 1827, 1829 and 1831.
William Mitchell -	Grocer - -	Justice in 1828 and 1832.
William Doe Belcher -	Auctioneer -	Mayor in 1826; Justice in 1825, 1827, 1830 and 1831.
William Bowles -	Esquire - -	Mayor in 1824; Justice in 1823, 1825 and 1827.
John Latham - -	Grocer - -	} Never served office of Mayor or Justice.
John Lindsey - -	Gentleman -	
Benjamin Collingwood	Grocer - -	
Thomas Sharps - -	Miller - -	

## SECONDARY BURGESSES.

James Hawkins - - - -	Hatter.
Benjamin Morland - - -	Gentleman.
John Eldridge - - - -	Gentleman.
Charles Baster - - - -	Attorney-at-Law.
Thomas Curtis, - - - -	Town Clerk.
William Strange - - - -	Brandy Merchant.
Thomas Axford - - - -	Brandy Merchant.
Richard Badcock - - -	Mercer.
Edward Cowcher - - - -	Surgeon.
William Brown Baker - -	Grocer.
George Shepherd, - - -	Mercer.
Thomas Sharps - - - -	Mealman, now a principal Burgess.
Henry Dewe - - - -	Grocer.
George Cox - - - -	Mealman.
George Bowes Morland - -	Attorney.

The Corporation also stand possessed of divers lands, tenements, cottages and farms, within and without the borough of Abingdon, the particulars of which are sent in two books, marked (A.) and (B.), and are copies of the Corporation Accounts for the year ending the 25th day of March 1831.

If any further information may be deemed requisite, it will readily be furnished by the Corporation.

Abingdon,  
22 February 1833. }

*Tho<sup>s</sup> Curtis,*  
Town Clerk.

## (A.)

THE ACCOUNT of Mr. George Cox and Mr. Edward Cowcher, Bailiffs of the said Borough, of and for all Revenues and Profits coming and increasing of all and singular the Lands, Tenements, Cottages and Farms belonging to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses to collect, gather and receive, for one whole year, from the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel one thousand eight hundred and thirty, until the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, taken and yielded up before the Corporation the twenty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

## C H A R G E :

And these Accountants charge themselves with Arrears of Rent by them received as follow - - - Nil.

And these Accountants charge themselves with the Rent of all Lands, Tenements, Cottages and Farms of the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses belonging to the Bailiffs to collect and gather.

	£.	s.	d.
With the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of Ann Tombs - - - -	1	16	-
the same Ann Tombs, for an encroachment, by digging Cellars in the common Street - - - -	-	3	6
the Rent of another Tenement, in the tenure of Richard Morgan, Esquire (late Joseph Tombs) - - - -	4	10	-
the like, in the tenure of John Lawrence - - - -	2	-	-
	£. 8	9	6

With the like, in the tenure of Benjamin Jefferis Evans, late Street - - - -	2	-	-
the like, in the tenure of Redstone Warner, esq., in trust - - - -	-	16	-
the like, in the tenure of John Francis Spenlove, called the Bell - - - -	3	-	-
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of Thomas Copeland and Edward Leader - - - -	1	13	4
the like, in the tenure of Robert Cozens Latham - - - -	2	-	-

Of the Collector of Christ's Hospital for a Quit-rent issuing out of Mrs. Chicken's house - - - 5 -

With the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of Charles Owen (now William Strange) - - - -	1	6	8
the like, in the tenure of Ann Allen and Christian Allen - - - -	1	10	-
	£. 12	11	-

With the like, in the tenure of Johnston Whiterm - - - -	1	6	8
the Rent of a Tenement and Wharf, in the tenure of William Tomkins - - - -	3	-	-
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of Thomas Fletcher - - - -	-	10	-
the like, in the tenure of John Tomkins and Miss Sarah Tomkins - - - -	-	10	-
the like, in the tenure of Edward Cheer, now Samuel Cheer - - - -	-	10	-
the like, in the tenure of Tyrrell Knapp and Henry Knapp - - - -	-	3	4
	£. 6	-	-

With the Rent of a Tenement in the tenure of John Bunce and Henry Hemstead, esqrs. (now J. F. Spenlove) - - - -	1	-	-
the Rent of the Lamb Inn, in the tenure of William Westbrook - - - -	3	-	-
the Rent of a Tenement and Garden near Ruddle Cross, in the tenure of Robert Arnold, in trust (late G. Hawkins) - - - -	6	8	-
the like, in the tenure of William Graham (late George Jackson) - - - -	-	6	-

With the like, in the tenure of the same William Graham (late Geo. Jackson) - - - -	£.	s.	d.
the Rent of part of the Premises, late Mr. Cranmer's, (now Messrs. Strange and Collingwood) in trust - - - -	-	2	6
the like, for other part of the Premises, late Cranmer's, (now Messrs. Strange and Collingwood) in trust - - - -	-	2	6
the like, for other part of the Premises, (late Cranmer's) in the tenure of Messrs. Strange and Collingwood, in trust, (late Stevens) - - - -	1	5	-
the Rent of Tenements, in the tenure of Thomas Winterbourne (now James Cole, in trust) - - - -	2	-	-
the like, in the tenure of Mr. Morland (late Gibbons and Davies) - - - -	-	18	2
the Rent of a piece of Ground, with the Erections thereon, in the tenure of the Master and Governors of Christ Hospital - - - -	3	10	-
the Rent of Land in Wick Field, in the tenure of Thomas Copeland and Joseph Copeland - - - -	4	4	10½
the like, in the tenure of Thomas Griffin - - - -	2	8	5½
	£. 19	10	2

With the Rent of a parcel of Ground, called Stranger's Land, in the tenure of John Phillips, in trust - - - -	-	7	6
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of T. Knight - - - -	2	6	8
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of Richard Badcock (late Francis Hubbert) - - - -	-	10	-
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of John Payne (late Joseph Hopkins) - - - -	-	10	-
the like, in the tenure of William Prince (late Crew) - - - -	-	5	-
the like, in the tenure of Richard Badcock (late Crew) - - - -	-	5	-
the like, in the tenure of the same Richard Badcock (late Crew) - - - -	1	5	-
the like, in the tenure of John Tomkins and Thomas Covington, in trust, (late Crew) - - - -	-	5	-
the Rent of a Garden, now a Tenement, in the tenure of Joseph Ivey - - - -	-	3	-
the Rent of a Tenement in the tenure of William Leaver (late William Clarke) - - - -	-	5	-
the like, in the tenure of Messrs. T. Waite and T. Collingwood (in trust) - - - -	2	-	-
the like, in the tenure of John Gregory (late Pickle) - - - -	-	7	6
the like, in the tenure of Thomas Copus (late Mary King) - - - -	-	7	6
the like, in the tenure of Richard Badcock (late King) - - - -	-	3	6
the like, in the tenure of Richard Blackwell Kendall - - - -	-	3	4

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(A.)—*Abingdon Bailiff's Account—continued.*CHARGE—*continued.*

With the like, in the tenure of James Bonnett, now Edward Stroud, 10 s., and James Goodluck, 10 s. - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
the like, in the tenure of J. F. Spenlove (late Tuckwell) - - - - -	1	-	-
the like, in the tenure of Wm. Badcock (late Tuckwell) - - - - -	-	16	8
the like, in the tenure of Benjamin Mor- land (late Goldby) - - - - -	-	8	4
the like, in the tenure of Edward Plum- meridge (now James Goodluck) - - - - -	-	15	-
the like, in the tenure of Edward Stroud - - - - -	-	7	-
the like, in the tenure of William Doe Belcher (late Pratt, since Cheer) - - - - -	-	3	-
the like, in the tenure of Edward Beasley and George Shepherd, in trust, for part of late Yateman's, now Richard Tanner	-	10	-
the like, in the tenure of Richard Bad- cock, for the residue of ditto - - - - -	-	6	-
the Rent of a farm, called Goodlake's Farm, in the tenure of Herbert Parsons, esq., and Ann, his wife - - - - -	-	9	-
the Rent of Premises in the Boar-street, part of Goodlake's farm, in the tenure of Benjamin Morland - - - - -	-	39	-
	-	1	-
	£.44	15	-

With the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of Robert Holloway (late Harding) - - - - -	1	-	-
the Rent of a Garden, late in the tenure of Osmond Warner, since of John Col- lingwood, and now of William Ballard - - - - -	-	5	-
the Rent of part of the Timber-yard, in the tenure of William Hussey - - - - -	1	-	-
the Rent of other part of the Timber-yard, in the tenure of Joseph Puzey, (now Benjamin Morland) - - - - -	1	-	-
the Rent of other part of the Timber- yard, in the tenure of James Pickett - - - - -	-	15	-
the Rent of other part of the Timber- yard, in the tenure of Henry Knapp, (now J. F. Spenlove) - - - - -	-	10	-
the Rent of other part of the Timber-yard in the tenure of John Vindin Collingwood - - - - -	-	10	-

With the Rent of the residue of the Timber- yard, in the tenure of the same John Vindin Collingwood - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of John Francis Spenlove - - - - -	1	3	-
the Rent of a Garden, in the tenure of William Tomkins - - - - -	-	12	-
the Rent of Fitzharris Farm, in the tenure of William Bowles, esq. - - - - -	-	40	-
the Rent of Butcher's Close and the Tithes, in the tenure of Sir Chas. Saxton, bart. - - - - -	50	-	-
the Rent of a Tenement, in the tenure of John Payne (now Ann Goodluck) - - - - -	1	-	-
	£.97	1	3

With the Rent of a Tenement, called Haythorn's, in the tenure of Sir Chas. Saxton, bart. - - - - -	2	10	-
the Rent of a piece of Ground, late in the tenure of Mrs. Crosley, and now of Sir Charles Saxton, bart. - - - - -	-	2	6
the Rent of a Tenement, called Waste- court, and a plot of ground, in the tenure of Benjamin Morland - - - - -	-	13	6
the Company of Tailors - - - - -	-	3	4
the Rent-charge of 20 l., issuing out of Abbey Mills - - - - -	-	20	-
Charles Bayley, for a Garden, late a Cistern-house - - - - -	-	1	-
the Rev. Joseph Thomas James Hewlett, for ground left as a garden for the School (out of the purchase from Tramplatt, and part of the Gaol-garden) - - - - -	-	10	-
John F. Spenlove, for a plot of Ground near the turnpike (now George Tubb) - - - - -	2	3	-

## LAND TAX PURCHASED.

Of William Bowles, esq., for one year's Land Tax, purchased by the Corporation, due Mi- chaelmas 1831 - - - - -	-	42	16
Herbert Parsonz, esq. and Ann, his Wife, one year's Land Tax, purchased by the Corporation, due Michaelmas 1831 - - - - -	-	12	9
	£.81	8	4

## DISCHARGE:

And these Accountants crave allowance for Monies paid  
by them, as follow:

To the Town Clerk, for writing the Rent-roll and Parchment, with additions - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
him, for writing this account, and yearly keeping and settling the Arrear Book - - - - -	-	19	8
these Accountants' bond and duty - - - - -	-	16	8
Jacob Frank, esq., the sum of 102 l. 10 s. 7 d.; so these Accountants paid (craving allow- ance for Taxes, 20 l. 10 s.) for an acquittal, 82 l. 10 s. 7 d. in money, being in full for a year's fee-farm rent issuing out of lands within the said borough, due the 10th day of October last past - - - - -	-	2	11
Mr. J. V. Collingwood, the late Mayor, in addition to his salary, pursuant to order of 2d March 1813 - - - - -	82	10	7
Stamps for Receipts - - - - -	50	-	-
	-	4	6

CHARGE - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
DISCHARGE - - - - -	278	19	3
	202	14	7

BALANCE - - - - - £.76 4 8

To the Chamberlain of the Corporation, pur- suant to order of the 22d February 1830 - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
	50	-	-
	£.187	3	3

And these Accountants crave allowance for Taxes for this year's rent, by them paid as follow: - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
To Joseph Tombs, for a Tenement - - - - -	-	18	-
Sir Chas. Saxton, bart., for Butcher's Close and Tithes - - - - -	-	10	-
Sir Chas. Saxton, bart. for Haythorns - - - - -	-	10	-
a Rent-charge out of the Abbey Mills - - - - -	-	4	-
	£.15	8	-

And these Accountants crave allowance for Rents to them unpaid, as follow: - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
To the Master and Wardens of the Company of Tailors - - - - -	-	3	4

So there remains due from these Accountants, to the Corporation, the sum of 76 l. 4 s. 8 d., which is ordered  
to be paid to the Chamberlain.

(signed) T. Knight, Mayor.

(B.)

AN ACCOUNT of Mr. Benjamin Collingwood, Chamberlain of the said Borough, of and for all Rents and Profits arising and increasing of all and singular the Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, Cottages and Farms belonging to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses of the said Borough, appertaining to the Chamberlain, to collect and gather, yielded up before the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses, the 22d day of March in the year of our Lord 1832.

## CHARGE.

Received of Mr. George Cox and Mr. Edward Cowcher, the late collecting bailiffs, the sum of - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
Received of ditto the sum of 76 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> being the balance due from them to the Corporation on passing their accounts, this 22d March 1832 - - - - -	50	-	-
Received the balance of the Freeland Quit Rents for 9 years, to Michaelmas 1831 - - - - -	76	4	8
	64	1	8
	£. 190	6	4

*Interest of Money received.*

Of Messrs. Williams, Deacon & Co. bankers, London, for one year's dividend of 5 <i>l.</i> New 4 per Cent. Bank Annuities, due 5th January 1832 (now 3½ per Cent.) - - - - -	-	3	4
Of the Treasurer of the Commissioners for paving the town of Abingdon, one year's interest of 750 <i>l.</i> at 4½ per cent., due 14th February 1832 - - - - -	33	15	-
	£. 33	18	4

And this Accountant chargeth himself with arrears of Rent by him received, as follow :

— Nil. —

*Casual Money received.*

Of Mr. Benjamin Collingwood, the duty on his being admitted a principal Burgess -	3	-	-
Mr. George Bowes Morland, the duty on his being admitted a secondary Burgess -	3	-	-
	£. 6	-	-

*Fees of new Tenants received.*

Of James Cole, in trust - - - - -	-	10	-
Joseph Copeland - - - - -	-	10	-
the same Joseph Copeland - - - - -	-	10	-
James Cole, in trust - - - - -	-	10	-
William Doe Belcher, in trust for the like -	-	10	-
Ann Goodluck - - - - -	-	10	-
Thomas Copeland the elder - - - - -	-	10	-
William Doe Belcher - - - - -	-	10	-
John Gregory and Edward Whithern, in trust	-	10	-
the same John Gregory and Edward Whithern, in trust - - - - -	-	10	-
William Strange and Benjamin Collingwood, in trust - - - - -	-	10	-
	£. 5	10	-

*Fines received.*

Of James Cole, in trust for a tenement - -	6	7	6
Ann Tombs, for the like - - - - -	3	19	6
William Tomkins, esq. for the like - - -	17	18	-
John Tomkins, esq. and Miss Sarah Tomkins, for the like - - - - -	2	16	-
Joseph Copeland, for the like - - - - -	4	13	6
the same Joseph Copeland, for the like -	4	13	6

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## DISCHARGE.

*Allowances, Fees and Wages.*

To Mr. J. V. Collingwood, the late Mayor, for his salary - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
more, for an addition thereto, by order, 16 August 1796 - - - - -	45	-	-
more, for a dinner by him provided - - - -	25	-	-
more, for a dinner by him provided - - - -	30	-	-
the Right Honourable the Earl of Abingdon, high steward of this borough, for his exhibition forth of the chamber, for one year ending at Michaelmas 1831 - -	3	6	8
Henry John Shepherd, esq. Recorder, the usual fee, for a year ending at Michaelmas 1831 - - - - -	5	-	-
this Accountant, his fee - - - - -	2	-	-
James Leverett, senior serjeant, one year's salary, due at St. Thomas's-day 1831 -	18	-	-
William Honey, the other serjeant, one year's salary, due at St. Thomas's-day 1831 - - - - -	2	12	-
more, as an addition thereto, as per order, one year, due ditto - - - - -	2	12	-
more, as an addition thereto, as per order, one year, due ditto - - - - -	2	-	-
the Parish Clerk of St. Helen, for looking after the Corporation seats, one year, due ditto - - - - -	-	10	-
the Rev. Mr. Smith, for reading Prayers at St. Nicholas-church, one year, due Michaelmas 1831 - - - - -	8	-	-
Mr. James Cole, the late Mayor, for holding an additional sessions in October 1830, pursuant to order - - - - -	6	6	-
Charles Matthew Wicks, bellman, one year's salary, due at St. Thomas's-day 1831 - - - - -	8	-	-
Ditto, for turning vagrants out of the town, one year, to ditto - - - - -	1	10	-
Ditto, for looking after the Market-house, for one year, to Lady-day 1831 - - - -	-	10	-
William Fletcher, for looking after Carswell Stream, one year, to Michaelmas 1831 - - - - -	-	7	6
James Fisher, for ringing the morning and evening prayer bell of St. Nicholas' church - - - - -	-	10	-
him, for ringing the five and nine o'clock bell there, from Hollantine to Candlemas 1832 - - - - -	-	10	-
him, for cleaning the Corporation seats in St. Nicholas' church, one year, to Midsummer 1831 - - - - -	-	5	-
James Goldby, allowance, pursuant to order of 25th November 1817, due 22d February 1832 - - - - -	12	10	-
Rev. Nathaniel Dodson, Lecturer of St. Helen's Church, one year's salary, due Lady-day 1831 - - - - -	10	-	-
	£. 184	9	2

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(B.)—*Abingdon, Chamberlain's Account—continued.*CHARGE—*continued.*

<i>Fines received—continued.</i>			
	£.	s.	d.
Of James Cole, in trust for a tenement	-	11	10 6
Henry Westbrook, for the like	-	5	3 6
William Doe Belcher, in trust for the like	-	3	14 6
Ann Goodluck, for the like	-	5	7 -
Thomas Copeland the elder, for the like	-	6	- -
William Doe Belcher, for the like	-	17	10 -
John Gregory and Edward Whiteru, in trust for the like	-	3	5 6
the same John Gregory and Edward Whiteru, in trust for the like	-	3	17 -
William Strange and Benjamin Collingwood, in trust for the like	-	7	4 -
Joseph Copeland, for the like	-	9	10 -
Herbert Parsons and Ann his wife, for Goodlake's farm	-	137	15 -
	£.	251	5 -

And this Accountant chargeth himself with the Rents of all Lands, Tenements, Cottages and Farms belonging to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses, appertaining to the Chamberlain, to collect and gather.

*Butcher Row.*

Of Benjamin Morland, in trust for a tenement	2	3	-
William Salisbury, for the like (now T. Copeland, sen.)	-	15	-
Thomas Copeland, for the like (now ditto)	-	8	-
Joseph Copeland, for the like	-	16	1
the same Joseph Copeland, for the like (late Richard Keates)	-	8	-
the same Joseph Copeland, for the like (late ditto)	-	8	-
Thomas Copeland, for the like	2	-	-
Joseph Copeland, for tenements or shops	1	15	-
John Vindin Collingwood, for a tenement	3	9	4
Rev. William Wilkins and James Cole, in trust for the like	1	6	8
	£.	13	9 1

*East Saint Helen's.*

Of William Beckensall, for a tenement	-	13	4
the same William Beckensall, for the like	-	6	8
James Cole, for the like	-	6	8
William Graham, for the like (late Jos <sup>h</sup> Tomkins)	-	12	-
Mary Glead, widow, for the like	-	16	-
Edward Cheer, for a tenement and land in Wick Field (now Samuel Cheer)	-	4	-
John Francis Spenlove (late Ann Bush)	1	-	-
the same John Francis Spenlove, for part of a malthouse	-	2	6
William Godfrey, for a tenement	-	1	-
John Francis Spenlove, for the like	-	2	-
Martha Hutt, for the like	-	6	8
John Hyde, for the like	-	5	-
Catherine Crapper, widow, for the like	-	5	-
John Francis Spenlove, for the like	-	1	-
	£.	8	17 10

*West Saint Helen's.*

Of Edward Cheer, for a tenement (now John Hyde)	-	13	4
Thomas Peyman, for his tenements	-	1	15 -
Peter Pickman, for a garden (now Thomas Healey)	-	5	6
Thomas Copeland, jun. and William Doe Belcher, in trust for a tenement	-	10	-
Joseph Winterborne, for the like	-	6	8
Henry Knapp, for a plot of ground (now Richard Faulkner and James Faulkner)	-	8	-

DISCHARGE—*continued.**Mr. Royse's Gift.*

	£.	s.	d.
To Daniel Burden, for bread for the poor, from the 29th day of September 1830 to the 29th day of September 1831, being 52 weeks, at 1 s. per week	-	2	12 -

*Miscellanies.*

To the Phoenix Fire Office, from Lady-day 1831 to Lady-day 1832, and duty	3	19	6
the Collector of Christ's Hospital, for land in Cock Thrupp, due at Michaelmas 1831	3	-	-
Charles Matthew Wicks, for cleaning and lighting lamps, one year, due St. Thomas's-day 1831	1	10	-
more, as an addition thereto, one year to ditto	2	10	-
him, for cleaning knives and forks, one year	1	6	-
do ditto, with additions	-	12	-
him, for cleaning and oiling the engine, one year to ditto	-	12	-
him, for delivering and sticking up 52 as-sizes of bread	2	12	-
Charles Matthew Wicks, for attendance and expenses of himself and man at Cumner Leet, and paid fee 2 s.	11	6	-
Charles Matthew Wicks, for playing the engine	5	-	-
Charles Matthew Wicks, for lighting lamp from 25th March to 11th April 1831	-	-	-
William Chapman, a bill	-	15	-
James Leverett, a bill	-	18	1½
Henry Hall, a bill	-	10	6
Mr. James Cole, for carriage of parcel and postage of letter	-	1	10
George Tubb, a bill	-	13	6
Caleb Evans, a bill	-	18	-
Messrs. Hyde & Son, a bill for bellman	5	-	-
James Leverett, a bill	-	6	5
James Leverett, another bill	-	16	10½
James Leverett, another bill	-	16	3
James Ballard, a bill	-	9	-
Ebenezer Copeland, a bill	-	13	-
Mr. John Vindin Collingwood, a bill for postages during his mayoralty	-	2	1
William Honey, a bill	-	15	-
Robert Fairbrother, a bill	-	2	17 -
Joseph Emmens, a bill	-	15	-
William Honey, a bill	-	3	8 -
William Cox, a bill	-	1	14 -
Charles King, a bill	-	3	6 8
John Francis Spenlove, a bill	-	15	6
Ann Allen, a bill	-	1	16 -
Charles King, a bill	-	6	12 -
John Francis Spenlove, a bill	-	5	15 -
Messrs. Strange & Harris, a bill	-	4	8 -

(B.)—*Abingdon, Chamberlain's Account—continued.*CHARGE—*continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Of Thomas Peyman, for a Tenement - - -	10	-	-
Edward Cheer, for the like (now W <sup>m</sup> Strange) - - -	10	-	-
John Staniland, for the like (late Chapman) - - -	13	4	-
John Winterbourne, for the like - - -	15	-	-

£. 6 6 10

*Ock Street.*

Of Mr. Henry Knapp, for his Tenements - - -	2	2	-
the same Henry Knapp, for the like (late John Tomkins) - - -	1	-	-
the same Henry Knapp, for a piece of Ground whereon is erected a Weighing Machine, being part of the Ground whereon stood certain Tenements called the Roundhouses - - -	10	-	-
J. F. Spenlove, for other part of a piece of Ground, for a year, to Michaelmas 1831 - - -	3	-	-
Thomas Knight, for a Tenement - - -	1	-	-
Robert Allen, for the like - - -	1	-	-
Messrs. Fletcher and others, in the occupation of Mr. Wilkins - - -	2	-	-
William Leaver, for the like - - -	5	-	-
the same William Leaver, for the like - - -	5	-	-
Edward Cousins, for the like - - -	2	-	-
William Stone, for the like - - -	13	4	-
Thomas Westbrook, for the like, late Tomkins, Slack and Cooper (now Henry Knapp) - - -	2	-	-
Thomas Knight, for the like (late Young) - - -	1	-	-
Edmund Hutchings, for a Piece of Ground (late a Tenement) now James Wheeler - - -	5	-	-
James Cole, in trust for J. Carter, for a Tenement (late W <sup>m</sup> Barton) - - -	6	8	-
Edward Cheer, for the like (now Samuel Cheer) - - -	6	8	-
John Francis Spenlove, for the like - - -	6	8	-
Robert Stiles, for the like, (now Thomas Copeland, senior) - - -	4	15	-
Thomas Ayris, for the like - - -	10	10	-
William Fairbrother, for the like (now J. Brooker) - - -	5	-	-
the same William Fairbrother, for the like, (now ditto) - - -	5	-	-
the same William Fairbrother, for the like, (now ditto) - - -	1	6	-
John Keates, for the like (late B. Yates) - - -	1	6	-
William Graham, for the like - - -	10	-	-
George Keates, for the like (now E. Whiter) - - -	5	-	-
William Fletcher, for a Tenement and Garden at the Carswell - - -	5	-	-
James Vasey, for a Tenement (late Chew) - - -	5	-	-

£. 35 3 4

*Boar Street.*

Of John Francis Spenlove, for a Tenement - - -	2	10	-
Thomas Fletcher, for the like - - -	4	-	-
the same Thomas Fletcher, for the like - - -	6	8	-
Ann Collins, Widow, for the like, (now John Stacy) - - -	5	-	-
the same Ann Collins, for the like, (now ditto) - - -	10	-	-
Anthony Franklin, for the like - - -	2	-	-
Francis Lemon Wicks, for the like, (now Samuel Cheer) - - -	1	-	-
William Hussey and Samuel Cory, in trust, for the like - - -	17	6	-
James Dore, for the like - - -	12	6	-
Miss Ann Tombs, for the like - - -	6	8	-
Benjamin Morland, for the like - - -	13	4	-
Edward Beasley and George Shepherd, in trust for the like, (now John Gregory) - - -	6	8	-
Edward Beasley and George Shepherd, in trust for the like, (now ditto) - - -	6	8	-

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DISCHARGE—*continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
To William Taylor, a bill - - -	6	-	-
Ebenezer Copeland, a bill - - -	12	2	-
Joseph Emmens, a bill - - -	15	-	-
divers bills of articles, on the occasion of the Coronation, amounting together to - - -	24	15	2½
John Smith, a bill - - -	1	1	-
George Tubb, a bill - - -	1	7	-
Joseph Emmens, a bill - - -	1	1	-
Daniel Burden, a subscription towards Abingdon Races - - -	10	10	-
Thomas Townsend, a bill - - -	1	4	4
John Vindin Collingwood, a bill - - -	1	3	11
John Vindin Collingwood, another bill - - -	18	9	-
Esther Pope, a bill - - -	1	1	-
James Leverett, a bill - - -	6	3	-
James Leverett, a bill - - -	11	-	-
Sarah Applebee, a bill - - -	15	-	-
Ann Allen, a bill - - -	15	-	-
the annual subscription to the National School, by order - - -	10	10	-
John Vindin Collingwood, a bill - - -	4	6	-
Thomas Curtis, a bill for four admission stamps, £. 12, &c. - - -	12	9	6
William Withers, a bill - - -	6	-	-
William Fairbrother, a bill - - -	15	2	-
H. Beasley, a bill - - -	2	1	8
John George, a bill - - -	10	-	-
William Honey, a bill - - -	15	-	-
James Leverett, a bill - - -	5	1½	-
Benjamin Jefferis Evans, a bill - - -	10	1	3
William Chapman, a bill - - -	1	1	-
John George, a bill - - -	1	1	-
Messrs. Hyde & Son, a bill for Beadle - - -	4	17	-
Caleb Evans, a bill - - -	15	-	-
James Leverett, a bill - - -	18	2	-
James Leverett, another bill - - -	2	4	6
William Davis, a bill - - -	1	6	-
John Vindin Collingwood, a bill - - -	6	-	-
Charles King, a bill - - -	4	8	-
James Leverett, a bill - - -	1	4	1½
Messrs. Strange & Harris, a bill - - -	4	12	-
Richard Badcock, a bill - - -	18	-	-
Ebenezer Copeland, a bill - - -	1	6	-
Thomas Fairbrother, a bill - - -	3	6	-
William Tyrrell, a bill - - -	1	10	-
Benjamin Collingwood, a bill - - -	20	18	5
John Gibbard, a bill - - -	1	15	-

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(B.)—*Abingdon, Chamberlain's Account—continued.*

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(B.)—*Abingdon, Chamberlain's Account—continued.*CHARGE—*continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Of Richard Badcock, for the like - - -	-	11	-
Thomas Copeland, jun., for the like - - -	-	10	-
Thomas Godfrey, for the like (late Bolt) - - -	-	13	4
	£.	25	2 4

*Vineyard.*

Of Henry Westbrook, for the like - - -	-	4	-
William Badcock, for the like - - -	-	16	-
William Cox, for the like (late Higgins) - - -	-	4	-
Benjamin Dickens, for the like (now T. Winterborne) - - -	-	5	-
John Francis Spenlove, for the like - - -	-	3	4
W <sup>m</sup> Doe Betcher, for the like - - -	-	10	-
Miss Ann Gregory, for the like (now John Brooker) - - -	-	7	6
John Tomkins, for two acres of Land in Wick Lordship - - -	-	3	6
Richard Badcock, for a tenement (late Tubb) - - -	-	6	8
Edward Child, for the like (late Hawkins, now J. F. Spenlove) - - -	-	6	8
Richard Badcock (late Tyler), for the like - - -	-	2	6
John Prince, for the like (late part of ditto) - - -	-	1	-
John Williams, for the like - - -	-	4	-
James Williamson, for the like - - -	-	2	-
John Bunce and Henry Hemstead, for the like (now J. F. Spenlove) - - -	-	4	-
Thomas Gregory, for the like (now John Brooker) - - -	-	5	-
Catherine Crapper, widow, for the like - - -	-	5	-
John Buckner, for the like - - -	-	15	-
James Cole, in trust, for the like - - -	-	5	-
Catherine Crapper, widow, for the like - - -	-	5	-
James Carter, for the like (now Ann Knapp, in trust) - - -	-	5	-
Martha Inwood, for the like (part of late W <sup>m</sup> Allders) - - -	-	4	6
James Cole, for the like (other part of late ditto) - - -	-	1	-
Samuel Corey, for the like (other part of late ditto) - - -	-	7	6
	£.	7	11 2

*Little Bury Lane.*

Of Simon Franklin, for a tenement (now William Crawford) - - -	-	5	-
W <sup>m</sup> Jennings, for the like (now George Lawrence) - - -	-	6	8
John Joseph Dore, for the like (late Payne) - - -	-	6	8
William Crawford, for the like (late Thomas Brittain) - - -	-	6	8
Thomas Baker, for the like (late James King and James Cole, in trust) - - -	-	1	-
Thomas Copeland, for the like - - -	-	1	-
W <sup>m</sup> White, for a tenement and lands in Wick - - -	-	10	-
Edward Cheer, for a plot of land (late Stephen Hanks) - - -	-	4	-
Executors of Robert Slack, Esq. for Bagley Close - - -	-	13	4
For a rent-charge out of lands, late of Thomas Barefoot, and since of Richard Rose, sold to North Sherwood, late John Wise, (now Thomas Stacey and Thomas Aldworth, 8s. each) - - -	-	6	-
	£.	5	8 4

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DISCHARGE—*continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
<i>Saint John's Almshouse.</i>			
To Messrs. Hyde & Son, a bill - - -	-	1	16 -
Richard Badcock, a bill - - -	-	5	7 6
Thomas Giles, a bill - - -	-	1	1 -
William Plato, a bill - - -	-	-	3 -
	£.	8	7 6

*Streets.*

To Thomas Winterborne, one year's Salary, for keeping in repair the streets from the 1st February 1831 to 1st February 1832 -	58	-	-
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*New Room over the Abbey Gateway.*

— Nil. —

*Casual Expenses.*

To James Leverett and others, bills for a dinner, &c. at the election of Thomas Knight, Esq. Mayor, on 1st September 1831 - - -	5	2	- $\frac{3}{4}$
Mr. Knapp's Charity, on Good Friday 1831 - - -	5	-	-
Sir Thomas Smith's Charity, on Ash Wednesday 1832 - - -	5	-	-
The Rev. Mr. Dodson, for a sermon, on the 1st September 1831 - - -	-	10	6
him, for a sermon, on Whit-Sunday 1831 - - -	-	6	8
him, at Christmas 1831, allowed by the Charter - - -	-	5	-
Thomas Curtis, a bill, from 24 March 1831 to 20 March 1832, of fees and disbursements - - -	38	3	2
	£.	54	7 4 $\frac{3}{4}$

*Balance paid to the Chamberlain.*

To Cash paid Mr. Benjamin Collingwood, late Chamberlain, the balance due to him on settling the last account, on the 24th March 1831 - - -	145	18	5
Interest allowed ditto on account of advances made by him during the last year, and on the sum of £. 145. 18. 5. due to him at the last account, as above - - -	15	-	-
	£.	160	18 5

*Subscription for widening and improving Burford and Culham Bridges.*

In full, for the Corporation Subscription of £. 200, pursuant to order of 14th November 1829 - - -	100	-	-
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(B.)—*Abingdon, Chamberlain's Account—continued.*CHARGE—*continued.*

<i>Burford-street.</i>	£.	s.	d.
Of John Francis Spenlove, for a tenement, and late Burford-house - - - -	-	13	-
Elizabeth Hawks, for the like - - - -	1	-	4
Martha Guinle, widow, for the like (now George Scott, late Griffin) - - - -	-	5	-
Elizabeth Hawks, widow, for two tenements - - - -	-	10	-
Edward Child, for a tenement (now J. F. Spenlove) - - - -	-	15	-
Elizabeth Hawks, widow, for the like - - - -	-	15	-
James Griffin, for the like (now George Scott) - - - -	-	3	4
Thomas Aldworth, for Trinity Chapel - - - -	-	1	-
The Company of Salters, London, for a rent-charge out of Lombard-street - - - -	-	2	12
The Collector of Christ's Hospital, for a quit-rent issuing out of late John Cole's house, now Mr. Bedwell's, in West Saint Helen-street - - - -	-	-	1 6½
	£. 6	16	2½

*Abbey.*

Of Thomas Ansell, for a tenement (now William Lanham) - - - -	-	13	4
Richard Bradfield, for the like - - - -	-	6	8
Thomas Baker, for the like - - - -	-	10	-
The same Thomas Baker, for the like - - - -	-	10	-

*Bury.*

Of Charles Yates, and Jane Collins, his wife (now Charles King), for a tenement - - - -	-	2	6
James Cole, for one of the Market-house cellars, let to him from Michaelmas 1813 - - - -	1	10	-
N.B. The other Market-house cellar is in the hands of the corporation.			
The Company of Mercers - - - -	-	5	-
William Chapman, a year's rent of the Beast Market and stall gear, due at Michaelmas 1831 - - - -	-	30	-
Edward Stroud, for tolls of corn, one year, to Michaelmas 1831 - - - -	-	5	15
	£. 39	12	6

DISCHARGE—*continued.*

<i>Chamberlain's Dinner.</i>	£.	s.	d.
To James Leverett, for a dinner and dressing, half a kilderkin of ale, and half a dozen of port wine - - - -	-	6	16 6
And this Accountant craveth allowance for Taxes, for this year's Rent by him allowed, as follows :			
To Mr. Benjamin Morland, for a tenement - - - -	£.-	4	-

And this Accountant craveth allowance for Rents unpaid to him, as follow :

To Anthony Franklin, for a tenement - - - -	-	2	-
Richard Orpwood, for the like - - - -	-	2	-
John Bucknor, for the like - - - -	-	15	-
The Company of Mercers, for the like - - - -	-	5	-
Robert Pike, for the like - - - -	-	16	-
	£. 2	-	-

	£.	s.	d.
DISCHARGE - - - - -	862	19	8½
CHARGE - - - - -	654	1	3½
BALANCE - - - - -	£. 208	18	4½

So there remains due to this Accountant from the Corporation the sum of Two hundred and eight pounds Eighteen shillings and Four-pence three farthings.

(signed) *Tho' Knight,*  
Mayor.

## CORPORATION OF ALDEBURGH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir,

Ipswich, 9th July 1833.

I BEG to inform you, that the Charitable Funds and other property in the possession of the Corporation of Aldeburgh, in the county of Suffolk, consists only of about 180 acres of marsh land, purchased by the Corporation, of James Earl of Suffolk; the income derived from these marshes is very uncertain, as it arises from drifts paid by the inhabitants and others for the run of cattle upon them:—it is applied as follows; viz. To discharge the salaries of the recorder and all other officers; to pay poor and other rates; the assessed and other taxes; the modus in lieu of tithes; maintenance of the gaol and the prisoners therein; expenses of sessions; the fee-farm rent; gifts to the poor, to the amount of 4*l.*, on Good Friday; 2*l.* per annum for bread, for the poor; 5*l.* per annum for binding out two apprentices, and also in discharge of the general expenses of the Corporation.

I have the honour to be, &amp;c.

Peter B<sup>w</sup> Long,

Town Clerk and Clerk of the Peace.

To S. M. Phillipps, Esq.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Aldeburgh.

YEARS.	NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.	YEARS.	NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.
1812	Henry Muller - Cha <sup>s</sup> Snell, Kensington James Mingay - P. C. Crespigny - James Neeve -	Esquire. " Barrister. Esquire. Gentleman.	1822	Thomas Sparkes - James Neeve -	Gentleman. Gentleman.
1813	Cha <sup>s</sup> F. C. Crespigny John Copeland Jones Henry Muller -	Esquire. " "	1823	James Neeve - Christopher Churchill Henry Muller - Thomas Sparkes -	" " Esquire. Gentleman.
1814	James Neeve - Henry Muller - Cha <sup>s</sup> F. C. Crespigny John C. Jones - Capel Loft (Recorder)	Gentleman. Esquire. " " Barrister.	1824	Henry Muller - Thomas Sparkes - Christopher Churchill	Esquire. Gentleman. "
1815	James Purr - Robert Carew King - James Neeve - Henry Muller -	Gentleman. Esquire. Gentleman. Esquire.	1825	Will <sup>m</sup> Barnard Clarke Christopher Churchill Henry Muller - Thomas Sparkes -	Esquire. Gentleman. Esquire. Gentleman.
1816	Henry Muller - John Wade - James Purr - Robert Carew King	" " Gentleman. Esquire.	1826	Henry Muller - Philip Wynter - William B. Clarke - Christopher Churchill	Esquire. " " Gentleman.
1817	James Neeve - Robert C. King - Henry Muller - John Wade -	Gentleman. Esquire. " "	1827	Benjamin Bunniss - Samuel Randall - Henry Muller - John Wilson Croker	Gentleman. Esquire. " "
1818	Welbore Ellis - Henry Muller - James Neeve - Robert Carew King	Esquire. " Gentleman. Esquire.	1828	Henry Muller - Christopher Churchill Benjamin Bunniss - Samuel Randall -	" Gentleman. " Esquire.
1819	James Neeve - Robert C. King - Welbore Ellis - Henry Muller -	Gentleman. Esquire. " "	1829	John Randall - Benjamin Bunniss - Henry Muller - Christopher Churchill	" Gentleman. Esquire. Gentleman.
1820	Welbore Ellis - Henry Muller - James Neeve - Robert Carew King	Esquire. " Gentleman. Esquire.	1830	Henry Muller - Christopher Churchill Benjamin Bunniss - Samuel Randall -	Esquire. Gentleman. " Esquire.
1821	James Neeve - Robert Carew King Welbore Ellis - Henry Muller -	Gentleman. Esquire. " "	1831	Benjamin Bunniss - Samuel Randall - Henry Muller - Christopher Churchill	Gentleman. Esquire. " Gentleman.
1822	Henry Muller -	Esquire.	1832	Henry Muller - John Syred - Samuel Randall - Benjamin Bunniss -	Esquire. Gentleman. Esquire. Gentleman.

## CORPORATION OF ANDOVER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property.	THE MANNER IN WHICH ACQUIRED.	THE MODE IN WHICH DISTRIBUTED.
Hanson's Gift, £. 200, in 1569, to be put forth at the rate of £. 16 per annum, for the mainte- nance of a Free School in Andover.	The church tablet states, that Richard Blake gave to the town the land whereon the Corporation built the Free School, which cost 186 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> It is stated, in a note made to Parliament in 1786, that the School and School-house had been entirely new built within 14 years before that time, at an ex- pense of upwards of 700 <i>l.</i> ; and within the last seven years, upwards of 400 <i>l.</i> have been expended by the Corporation in the repairs and improvements of the School and School-house.	In respect to this donation, and to one of 5 <i>l.</i> yearly from Kemis, as after-mentioned, the annual sum of 20 <i>l.</i> is paid to the Master of the Free School, out of rents of lands re- ceived by the Corporation, and they also pay the house and window taxes, amounting annually to 12 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>
Venables' Gift, £. 100 -	Richard Venables, by his Will, dated 20th July 1598, gave 100 <i>l.</i> to be delivered to the masters and chief men of the town of Andover, to pur- chase so much land as would pay 5 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> yearly, for ever, for two dozen of bread, to be given weekly to 13 poor people, to be appointed by the masters of the parish, to every of them 2 <i>d.</i> in bread, weekly, at the church, after morning prayer. In August 1599, the Bailiff and Corporation granted 17 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> more yearly, to be given weekly to two more poor people; and the Bailiff, &c. granted to Nicholas Farrar, and others, out of their manor of Andover, 6 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , to the uses before-mentioned, with a proviso that as long as the said Bailiff, &c. should pro- vide weekly two dozen and six loaves of bread, and deliver the same to 15 poor people, to each of them 2 <i>d.</i> in bread, they should retain in their hands the said 100 <i>l.</i> These donations of 5 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> and 17 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , and the annual sum of 5 <i>l.</i> from Kemis's gift, make together 11 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> ; but as far back as can be traced, the weekly dis- tribution has consisted of 28 twopenny loaves, amounting to the yearly sum of 12 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>	This bread, together with Kemis's gift of bread, is given every Sunday at the church, to 28 poor widows of Andover, according to a list, in which vacancies as they occur are filled up by the Charity Chamber- lain. The bread thus given, amounts yearly to the sum of 12 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>
Kemis's Gift, £. 400 -	Richard Kemis, by his Will, dated 25th September 1611, gave 400 <i>l.</i> to the Bailiff and Corporation, upon con- dition, with the liking of his execu- tors, to buy as much land in fee- simple as might yield 20 <i>l.</i> rent yearly, to be employed as follows: 2 <i>s.</i> a week thereof to be, every Sunday in the year, except two Sun- days in the harvest, which amounted to 5 <i>l.</i> yearly, given for ever in 12 twopenny loaves, to be delivered by the Bailiff and Master's appointment, unto 12 aged poor people that have most need, in the church, after ser- mon ended, and so every Sunday unto 12 other poor aged people, until all shall have yearly tasted the benefit thereof. One other 5 <i>l.</i> on Good Friday, to the general poor of the said town having most need of alms, so that every one of them may taste thereof. One other 5 <i>l.</i> to be paid for ever to the Schoolmaster of the Free School at Andover, for his better maintenance; And the other 5 <i>l.</i> towards the maintenance of a sufficient lecturer in the said town; and until they shall have procured such a lecturer, and so long as the lecture should be void, then to be given to the poor in general, upon Ash Wednesday.	This bread, together with Venables' gift of bread, is given every Sunday, to 28 poor widows, according to a list, in which the vacancies as they occur are filled up by the Charity Chamberlain.  This sum of 5 <i>l.</i> forms part of a sum of 8 <i>l.</i> distributed on Good Fri- day as after-mentioned, in the gifts of Cornelius and others. This 5 <i>l.</i> is paid to the School- master, and forms part of the yearly sum of 20 <i>l.</i> paid to him as first mentioned, with Hanson's gift. This sum of 5 <i>l.</i> is now paid to the officiating minister of Andover.

N. B.—It appears, a few years after the death of this donor, the three following purchases were made, amounting in the whole to 396*l.*, being 4*l.* less than the sum given to the Corporation, but whether with that sum does not appear.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property.	THE MANNER IN WHICH ACQUIRED.	THE MODE IN WHICH DISTRIBUTED.																												
Kemis's Gift, £. 400— <i>continued.</i>	<p>By Indenture, dated 30th June 1613, William Marquis of Winchester, and Lucy, his wife, in consideration of 100<i>l.</i> conveyed to Richard Munday, Thomas Noyes and Peter Blake, a messuage and water-mill, called Andover Town Mill, and a meadow called Benger's Mead, containing one acre.</p> <p>By Indenture, bearing date 20th February 1616, Richard Morrell, in consideration of 120<i>l.</i>, conveyed to Richard Venables, a meadow called Borden Gates, in Andover.</p> <p>By Indenture, dated 8th October 1618, the said Richard Morrell, in consideration of 156<i>l.</i>, conveyed to Thomas Noyes and Peter Blake, 51½ acres of arable land, in the Southfield of Andover, whereof 10 acres lay in Woolver's Dean, and 41½ on Beare Hill.</p> <p>By Deed Poll, dated 6th May 1622, reciting the said conveyances, the said Richard Monday, Thomas Noyes and Peter Blake declared, that they were named in trust by the bailiff, approved men, and burgesses of Andover, for holding the said premises for such purposes as the bailiff, &amp;c. should appoint; and they were to permit the bailiff, &amp;c. to take the whole benefit thereof, as to them should seem best.</p>	<p>This property is now held by Mr. John Godden, under a lease granted by the Corporation in January 1831, for the term of 99 years, if three lives therein mentioned should so long live, reserving a yearly rent of 21<i>l.</i> For this lease a fine of 300<i>l.</i> was paid, which was applied towards the repairs and improvements of the Free School above-mentioned.</p> <p>This is now a nursery garden, and let on lease at 16<i>l.</i> per annum. The rent is applied towards the charitable purposes to which the Corporation conceive they are liable.</p> <p>Upon the inclosure of the common fields of Andover, in 1785, an allotment was made to the Corporation, containing 70<i>A.</i> 1<i>R.</i> 34<i>P.</i> in respect of certain estates in receipt of their Chamberlain, for charitable uses, being, as is supposed, these 51½ acres. The allotment is now held by lease, dated 30th August 1815, granted to Jere Bunny, for 21 years from the preceding Michaelmas, at the rent of 63<i>l.</i> This rent is appropriated to charitable purposes, such as repairs and other outgoings, to which the Corporation have conceived themselves liable.</p>																												
Cornelius's Gift, £. 20	It is stated in the church tablet, that Thomas Cornelius, by his Will, in 1610, gave to the poor of this town, 20 <i>l.</i> the interest to be given yearly in money on Good Friday.																													
Rich <sup>d</sup> Blake's Gift, £. 30	Also, that Richard Blake gave 30 <i>l.</i> the interest to be paid to the poor yearly on Good Friday.																													
Joan Blake's Gift, £. 10	Also, that Joan Blake, widow of Richard Blake, gave 10 <i>l.</i> to be disposed of in the same manner as her late husband's 30 <i>l.</i>																													
Geo. Pemerton's Gift, £. 100.	By Indenture, bearing date 24th March 1634, between George Pemerton, of the one part, and the Corporation of Andover of the other part, reciting, that said George Pemerton had given to the Corporation 100 <i>l.</i> to the uses therein-after mentioned, the Corporation covenanted to pay him, during his life, 8 <i>l.</i> yearly, and after his death to pay to the poor people of Andover 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> at the feasts of Saint Thomas the Apostle and Saint George the Martyr, by equal portions, to be distributed at the discretion of the said Corporation.																													
Nicholas Fishborne's Gift, £. 10.	<p>It is stated in the church tablet, that Nicholas Fishborne gave 10<i>l.</i> to the poor.</p> <p>In respect of these donations, the following annual sums are stated in the church tablet to be payable to the poor :</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>£.</td><td>s.</td><td>d.</td></tr><tr><td>Cornelius</td><td>-</td><td>1</td><td>-</td></tr><tr><td>Richard Blake and</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></tr><tr><td>Joan Blake</td><td>-</td><td>2</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>Pemerton</td><td>-</td><td>6</td><td>13</td></tr><tr><td>Fishborne</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>12</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£. 10</td><td>13</td><td>4</td></tr></table>		£.	s.	d.	Cornelius	-	1	-	Richard Blake and	-	-	-	Joan Blake	-	2	8	Pemerton	-	6	13	Fishborne	-	-	12		£. 10	13	4	<p>These sums, amounting to 10<i>l.</i> 13<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i>, together with 5<i>l.</i>, the portion of Kemis's gift, to be distributed on Good Friday, were formerly given in two equal portions of 7<i>l.</i> 16<i>s.</i> 8<i>d.</i> each, to the poor, on Good Friday and St. Thomas's day. In 1774, the two distributions were increased to 8<i>l.</i> each, which are continued to be paid on those two days, in small sums, amongst the poor persons of the parish.</p>
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CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property.	THE MANNER IN WHICH ACQUIRED.	THE MODE IN WHICH DISTRIBUTED.
Westcombe's Gift -	<p>By Indenture, dated 14th February 1622, Thomas Westcombe conveyed to Robert West, bailiff, Peter Noyes and seven others of the said borough or town, and their heirs, a piece of ground, containing 50 feet in length and 40 feet in breadth, on the east side of the town, upon trust, that they should yearly, out of the rents and profits, lay out upon 18 of the poorest people that should be dwelling in the town, one penny loaf each of good wheaten bread, and to the sexton the advantage of the said bread at Christmas, Lady-day, Midsummer and Michaelmas, or on the Sunday following each feast.</p> <p>It appears this ground was, within two years afterwards, let at 6 s. a year; after that, and up to 1828, 10 s. a year. In the year 1828 it was leased to Kingston Fleet, gentleman, for 99 years, determinable with three lives, and a fine of 16 l. was paid by him to the Charity Chamberlain; yearly rent, 2 s. 6 d.</p>	<p>In respect of this Gift, 12 three-penny loaves are distributed every quarter-day by the sexton amongst as many poor persons of the parish, according to a list, in which vacancies, as they occur, are filled up by the Charity Chamberlain, and half a gallon loaf is also given quarterly to the sexton; thus exceeding the amount of the original rent and subsequent rent. The fine of 16 l. above mentioned, was paid to the Charity Chamberlain, and accounted for by him in his Charity Book of Receipts and Payments.</p>
Lost Gifts of Waite, Jay and Powlett.	<p><i>Waite's Gift.</i>—It is stated in the church tablet, that Walter Waite, in 1625, gave 20 s. per annum to the poor of the town out of Brown's tenement on the day of his death, being the 9th September. In the accounts of the Charity Chamberlain for 1752, a query is made by whom the 20 s. was then received.</p> <p><i>Jay's Gift.</i>—It is also stated in the tablet, that Richard Jay gave to the poor of this town 100 l., the produce to be yearly distributed.</p> <p>It appears, from an entry in the Corporation Minute Book, in 1666, that an inquiry was then made where this 100 l. was, as it appeared it had been lent by the Corporation to different persons, and that they could not discover into whose hands the money had come.</p> <p><i>Powlett's Gift.</i>—It is also stated in the tablet, that the Honourable Francis Powlett gave, in 1697, to the poor 100 l.; to pay 5 l.</p> <p>It appears, from an entry in the Corporation Minute Books, dated the 31st December 1679, that a bond was received from Peter Blake, in 200 l. penalty, given by Francis Powlett, esquire, conditioned for payment of 100 l. and interest, to and for the use of the poor of the town of Andover.</p> <p><i>No further trace of these Gifts can be found.</i></p>	
Widmore's Gift -	<p>The Reverend Richard Widmore, rector of Lasham, in the county of Southampton, by his Will, bearing date 30th October 1764, directed that the residue of his personal estate should be divided by his executors, John Frost Widmore and John Terrent, into three equal parts; one third part to be given to some public charity of which he liked best, those for the augmentation of poor vicarages, or the propagation of the Gospel; another third part amongst his most necessitous relations; and the other third part to some public charity.</p> <p>By Deed Poll, bearing date 20th July 1774, reciting, that by a decree of the Court of Chancery made in a cause, wherein the said John Frost Widmore, esq. and John Terrent, were plaintiffs, and Mary and Ann Woodroft and others, the Attorney General, the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty, and the Governors of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, were defendants, it was ordered, that so much money as would be sufficient to purchase 250 l. Consols should be laid out in the purchase thereof, in the names of trustees, upon trust, to apply the dividends thereof for the relief of the aged and impotent poor of the parish of Andover, or for putting poor children belonging to the said parish to school, or binding them out apprentices, or otherwise, for the benefit of the said poor of Andover, as the bailiff, approved men and burgesses should, with the consent of one of the trustees, judge proper; and reciting, that 250 l. Consols had been purchased in the names of John Frost Widmore, Joseph Widmore and James Widmore; it was declared by the said John Frost, Joseph and James Widmore, that they stood possessed of the said stock, upon trust, to apply the dividends thereof upon the charities, and for the purposes aforesaid, and according to the said decree. The dividends of the 250 l. stock, which is in the 3 per Cent. Reduced, and not in the 3 per Cent. Consols, are from time to time transmitted to the Bailiff of Andover for distribution.</p>	<p>These dividends have been sometimes appropriated to putting out apprentices, and occasionally in providing cloaks and great coats.</p>

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property.	THE MANNER IN WHICH ACQUIRED.	THE MODE IN WHICH DISTRIBUTED.
Spital Houses - -	<p>- - This is a Charity under the management of the Corporation of Andover, the origin of which is not discovered. In the Corporation Minute Book we find an order, dated in 1671, for making a lease for 21 years of two closes of pasture ground, called the Spital Crofts, and the two halves of arable land in the West Field, at the rent of 40 s.</p> <p>In the church tablet, dated in 1692, 2½ acres, called Spital Lands, are mentioned; and it is thereby stated the corporation formerly new built the Spital Houses, and four tenements in the Common Acre, and still repaired them; and that the Spital Houses and land provided habitations for four poor people, and 10 s. per annum to each of them.</p> <p>The first payment for rent of Spital Land appears in the accounts of the Charity Chamberlain in 1739, and that Alexander Banks had a lease of those lands, commencing at Michaelmas 1738, at 3<i>l.</i> 3<i>s.</i> per annum. In 1750, the rent appears to have been only 2<i>l.</i>; and in 1755, 2<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i></p> <p>In 1777, the corporation granted a lease to Richard Leversuch, for 21 years, of two closes, called the Spital Crofts, and an half acre of land in the West Field, at the yearly rent of 50 s.</p> <p>From 1794 to 1803, 3<i>l.</i> 5<i>s.</i>, and from 1804 to 1809, 3<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i> per annum, appear to have been received by the Charity Chamberlain as the rent of these lands.</p> <p>By Deed, dated 16th September 1811, J. H. Todd, esq. granted to the Corporation a plot of land, containing 3 a. 26 p. being part of an allotment under the Andover Inclosure Act, in exchange for one of the Spital Crofts, containing 1 a. 30 p. then in the occupation of said John Henry Todd, and a sum of 42<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> paid by the Corporation for equality of exchange.</p> <p>By lease of the same date, the Corporation, in consideration of 89<i>l.</i> 3<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i> demised to the said John Henry Todd, the said plot of land, containing 3 a. 26 p.; and also a close adjoining the Spital House, containing 3 a. 5 p. for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the yearly rent of 2<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i></p> <p>The close described as containing 3 a. 5 p. comprises the other croft belonging to the charity, which was not granted to Mr. Todd, together with a small piece of land, containing 1 a. 4 p. which was allotted to the Corporation in respect of the Spital Charity Land. The annual value of the land under lease to Mr. Todd is about 5<i>l.</i></p> <p>The transactions between the Corporation and Mr. Todd took place under the valuation of Mr. Barnes, a surveyor. The sum of 42<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> which was to be paid to Mr. Todd for equality of exchange, was set off against the fine, which he was to pay for the lease, and the balance, being 46<i>l.</i> 8<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i> was paid by him to the Charity Chamberlain, and carried to his general account.</p>	<p>The Spital Houses consist of four tenements, inhabited rent-free by poor widows, each of whom receives 2<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i> quarterly, making in the whole 40<i>s.</i> per annum.</p> <p>The annual repairs of these houses, and of four houses in the Common Acre, amount to about 10<i>l.</i> per annum.</p>
Acre Houses - -	<p>There are four tenements standing on a piece of ground called the Common Acre, repaired by the Charity Chamberlain out of funds in his hands, and inhabited rent-free by poor widows placed there by the Charity Chamberlain, who also pays to each of them 2<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i> each yearly at Christmas.</p> <p>The church tablet states, that Catherine Hanson, in 1570, gave the Common Acre for the recreation of the inhabitants of the town, and the Corporation built the four tenements upon it. It appears, from the Corporation Minute Book, that in the reign of Queen Elizabeth a lease for 21 years of the Common Acre was granted to William Gold, at the rent of 4<i>s.</i>, on condition that he should keep a pair of butts for men to shoot at, and permit all persons to take their pastime there.</p>	<p>This ground is now used as a place of recreation for the inhabitants of the town. No profit is derived from it.</p>

On a reference to the part of 14th Report of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, dated July 1825, a more full and particular account and explanation of these Charities will appear.

15 July 1833. •  
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R<sup>d</sup> Foster,  
Town Clerk.

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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Andover.*

DATE of APPOINTMENT.	N A M E S.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.
7 September 1812	Thomas Cockerill - Bailiff -	Surveyor of Taxes.
	William Reding - } Justices -	{ Linen-draper.
	George Barnes - } -	{ Land Surveyor.
3 September 1813	Ralph Etwall - Bailiff -	Esquire.
	George Barnes - } Justices -	{ Land Surveyor.
	Edward Pugh - } -	{ Gentleman.
12 September 1814	William Pitman - Bailiff -	Surgeon and Apothecary.
	Ralph Etwall - } Justices -	{ Esquire.
	John Lawes Maude - } -	{ Land Steward.
11 September 1815	John Lawes Maude - Bailiff -	Land Steward.
	William Pitman - } Justices -	{ Surgeon and Apothecary.
	John Henry Todd - } -	{ Attorney at Law.
9 September 1816	John Henry Todd - Bailiff -	- - ditto.
	John Lawes Maude - } Justices -	{ Land Steward.
	John Godden - } -	{ Cloth Manufacturer.
8 September 1817	John Godden - Bailiff -	- - ditto.
	John Henry Todd - } Justices -	{ Attorney at Law.
	William Reding - } -	{ Linen-draper.
7 September 1818	William Reding - Bailiff -	- - ditto.
	John Godden - } Justices -	{ Cloth Manufacturer.
	Ralph Etwall - } -	{ Esquire.
13 September 1819	Ralph Etwall - Bailiff -	Esquire.
	William Reding - } Justices -	{ Linen-draper.
	Philip Henry Poore - } -	{ Surgeon, &c.
11 September 1820	William Pitman - Bailiff -	Surgeon, &c.
	Ralph Etwall - } Justices -	{ Esquire.
	John Henry Todd - } -	{ Attorney at Law.
10 September 1821	John Henry Todd - Bailiff -	- - ditto.
	William Pitman - } Justices -	{ Surgeon, &c.
	George Barnes - } -	{ Land Surveyor.
9 September 1822	George Barnes - Bailiff -	- same.
	John Henry Todd - } Justices -	{ Attorney at Law.
	George Thompson - } -	{ Coal Merchant.
8 September 1823	George Thompson - Bailiff -	Coal Merchant.
	George Barnes - } Justices -	{ Land Surveyor.
	John Lawes Maude - } -	{ Land Steward.
13 September 1824	John Lawes Maude - Bailiff -	- same.
	George Thompson - } Justices -	{ Coal Merchant.
	John Godden - } -	{ Cloth Manufacturer.
12 September 1825	John Godden - Bailiff -	- - same.
	John Lawes Maude - } Justices -	{ Land Steward.
	William Reding - } -	{ Linen-draper.
11 September 1826	William Reding - Bailiff -	- same.
	Ralph Etwall - } Justices -	{ Esquire.
	John Henry Todd - } -	{ Attorney at Law.
10 September 1827	Ralph Etwall - Bailiff -	Esquire.
	William Reding - } Justices -	{ Linen-draper.
	William Pitman - } -	{ Surgeon, &c.
8 September 1828	William Pitman - Bailiff -	Surgeon, &c.
	Ralph Etwall - } Justices -	{ Esquire.
	John Henry Todd - } -	{ Attorney at Law.
7 September 1829	John Henry Todd - Bailiff -	- - same.
	William Pitman - } Justices -	{ Surgeon, &c.
	George Barnes - } -	{ Land Surveyor.
13 September 1830	George Barnes - Bailiff -	- same.
	John Henry Todd - } Justices -	{ Attorney at Law.
	Henry Criswick - } -	{ Auctioneer.
12 September 1831	Henry Criswick - Bailiff -	- same.
	George Barnes - } Justices -	{ Land Surveyor.
	Ralph Etwall - } -	{ Esquire.
10 September 1832	William Pitman - Bailiff -	Surgeon, &c.
	Henry Criswick - } Justices -	{ Auctioneer.
	Ralph Etwall - } -	{ Esquire.

15 February 1833.

R<sup>d</sup> Footner,  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF APPLEBY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the Borough of Appleby, in consideration of £. 60 paid to them by William Bird and Charles Robinson, agreed that the said Mayor, &c. and their successors should yearly, on the 15th April, pay and apply the sum of £. 3 in placing and putting out poor boys, the sons of decayed Burgesses or Freemen, or others inhabiting or residing within the said Borough, or within the limit of the Corporation, or of the Parish of St. Lawrence, Appleby, having legal settlements therein, to be nominated and appointed by the said Mr. Bird and Mr. Robinson, and their heirs for ever, apprentices to such trades, mysteries and occupations as the Mayor, Vicar of the Parish and said Bird and Robinson, or the major part of them, should think proper.

For many years the interest had been suffered to accumulate, no Apprentices having received the premium, and at present the Corporation is indebted to the Trust for interest £. 46. 19. 6.; but for several years past the Mayor has had two children (and sometimes more) apprenticed out instead of one, with premiums of £. 3 each, and by that means reduced the balance of interest very considerably. This Article is dated 18th April 1733.

The property belonging to the Corporation, consists principally of a Toll of Corn exhibited for sale in the Market by non-freemen, which is annually let, and varies in amount every year, and which was granted to the Corporation by various Charters.

Some houses connected with the Town-hall and Cloisters, stallage for non-freemen, who place stalls or booths in the streets, and a pontage toll; ten butchers' shambles, and a number of small yearly payments as improvement rents, or encroachments upon the Corporation property.

Upon an average of six years, the yearly income of the Corporation will amount to £. 360, which is expended in maintaining the streets in the Town, and the turnpike and highways within the Borough, about 477 roods. In payment of the salaries of the town clerk, chamberlains and other officers belonging to the Corporation, scavengers, part of the organist's salary, clock-keeper, and in payment of £. 150 a year in part discharge of a debt of £. 600 due from the Corporation.

The expense of the entertainments given by the mayor amounts to about £. 45 annually.

CORPORATE OFFICERS of *Appleby*.—MAYORS.

October 1812 to	October 1813	-	-	George Harrison, Esquire.
-	1813 to	-	1814	Rev. Robert Whitehead.*
-	1814 to	-	1815	Rev. H. Shaw.*
-	1815 to	-	1816	Rev. J. Satterthwaite.*
-	1816 to	-	1817	Lord Lowther.*
-	1817 to	-	1818	Matt. Atkinson, Esquire.*
-	1818 to	-	1819	Hon. H. C. Lowther.*
-	1819 to	-	1820	Geo. Harrison, Esquire.
-	1820 to	-	1821	John Hill, Esquire.*
-	1821 to	-	1822	Rev. H. Shaw.*
-	1822 to	-	1823	Rev. J. Satterthwaite.*
-	1823 to	-	1824	John Hill, Jun., Esquire.
-	1824 to	-	1825	Rev. Jos. Milner.*
-	1825 to	-	1826	John Hammond, Esquire.
-	1826 to	-	1827	Rev. T. Bellas.*
-	1827 to	-	1828	John Hill, Esquire.*
-	1828 to	-	1829	Thos. Lewis, Esquire.
-	1829 to	-	1830	Hon. H. C. Lowther.*
-	1830 to	-	1831	Rev. Jos. Milner.*
-	1831 to	-	1832	John Hammond, Esquire.*

N. B. Those marked thus (\*) were Magistrates for the County at the time of serving the office; the others are all independent gentlemen, not following any profession or trade.

R. S. Stephenson,

Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF AXBRIDGE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no Charitable Funds or other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation, except that one William Spearing, by his Will, dated 4 May 1625, gave and devised a messuage and lands therein described to trustees, upon trust, to permit the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of Axbridge for the time being, for ever to let the same, and to dispose of the rents thereof between such poor persons of the parish of Axbridge aforesaid as therein mentioned; but the said testator directed such distribution to be made from time to time with the advice and approbation of the mayor and common council, or the major part of them, and their successors, whom he appointed overseers of the due distribution of such Charity.

And the property belonging to the Corporation, which has from time to time been obtained by purchase, consists of the manor of Axbridge, and certain chief rents issuing and payable out of certain messuages and lands; and also the town hall, market house and gaol. The rents and proceeds of the whole average from 80*l.* to 90*l.* per annum, and the Corporation apply the same in keeping the roads, streets and sewers within the borough in repair, as well as the town hall, market house and gaol, and in paying certain chief rents due from the Corporation, and the costs and expenses attendant on the constables and other officers employed in their official duties, and other incidental expenses relative to the improvements in the town, &c.

*Tho<sup>t</sup> Nicholls*, Town Clerk and Steward.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Axbridge*.

From Michaelmas 1812 to Michaelmas 1813:  
George Symons, Gentleman - Mayor.  
Wyndham Gooden, Esquire,  
Barrister at Law - Recorder.  
Simon Payne, Gentleman - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1813 to Michaelmas 1814:  
John Allford, Gentleman - Mayor.  
Wyndham Gooden - Recorder.  
Simon Payne - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1814 to Michaelmas 1815:  
John Crease, Currier - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow, Esquire,  
Barrister at Law - Recorder.  
Simon Payne - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1815 to Michaelmas 1816:  
Thomas Nicholls, Solicitor - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
Simon Payne - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1816 to Michaelmas 1817:  
William Lewis, the younger,  
Wool-stapler - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
Simon Payne - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1817 to Michaelmas 1818:  
William Lewis, the elder,  
Gentleman - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford (before named) Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1818 to Michaelmas 1819:  
William Crease, Currier - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1819 to Michaelmas 1820:  
George Symons - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1820 to Michaelmas 1821:  
Henry Symons, Gentleman,  
Solicitor - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1821 to Michaelmas 1822:  
Richard Jenkyns Runway Jen-  
kyns, D.D. Rector of Ax-  
bridge - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1822 to Michaelmas 1823:  
Henry Symons - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1823 to Michaelmas 1824:  
Thomas Nicholls - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1824 to Michaelmas 1825:  
Henry Symons - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1825 to Michaelmas 1826:  
George Gill, Mercer and  
Linen-draper - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1826 to Michaelmas 1827:  
John Stoward, Plumber - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1827 to Michaelmas 1828:  
Henry Symons - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1828 to Michaelmas 1829:  
Henry Symons - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1829 to Michaelmas 1830:  
John Stoward - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow, Serjeant at  
Law - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1830 to Michaelmas 1831:  
John Howard - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1831 to Michaelmas 1832:  
John Butter, Surgeon - Mayor.  
Ebenezer Ludlow - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

From Michaelmas 1832 to Michaelmas 1833:  
William Crease - Mayor.  
Thomas Tutton Knyfton, Esq.  
Barrister at Law - Recorder.  
John Allford - Alderman.

*Tho<sup>t</sup> Nicholls*, Town Clerk.

## BOROUGH OF BANBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

## PROPERTY in the hands of the CORPORATION as TRUSTEES.

A TENEMENT in the churchyard in Banbury, heretofore used as a school-house, let at 7*l.* annual rent, which is applied to the use of the National School: it appears by a decree of the Commissioners of Charities, dated 20th January 1603, to have been then in the hands of the Corporation.

The sum of 750*l.* secured on a farm at Drayton, Oxfordshire, belonging to Lady Georgiana North, at four per cent. interest; the interest received being 30*l.* per annum; 26*l.*, part thereof, is paid to the overseers of the poor; the residue of 4*l.* is distributed in bread-money amongst old widows. By Deed-poll, dated 29th Sept. 1750, it appears part of the sum of 750*l.* was took out of certain monies given by one Sprigg, for the benefit of the town of Banbury, and other part out of monies given by one Metcalf to the said town, for the same purposes, and other part out of monies given by one Smith, for the same purposes.

A dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, in High-street, Banbury, let to Mr. Burrows Matthias Kirby, at the annual rent of 27*l.* Another dwelling-house and premises, in Church-lane, in Banbury, let to Manning, at the annual rent of 6*l.*; also 100*l.* stock, given in 1667 by the Countess of Arran to the Corporation and Town of Banbury, for the use of the poor. The rents and proceeds are annually applied by the treasurer of the charity in putting out poor boys apprentice.

Also the sum of 9*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*, received from Mr. Reeves, of Lyon's-Inn, London, the produce of a debenture charged on the Land Revenues of the Crown, after deducting fees and expenses. The Chamberlain of the Corporation receives the above sum, and distributes the same to 12 poor widows, at 4*d.* a week, in the almshouses; any deficiency is made up by the Corporation out of their funds. This charity is called "The Widows' Groats."

The PROPERTY, now in the hands of the CORPORATION, consists of the following Premises in *Banbury*.

	£.	s.	d.
The Gallows Leys, let at per annum - - - - -	1	1	-
A Tenement in Banbury, converted out of the Leather Hall, let at the annual rent of - - - - -	10	10	-
A Tenement in Newland, let at - - - - -	6	6	-
A Tenement in the Market-place - - - - -	10	-	-
Rents of the Waste Ground - - - - -	22	-	-
Rents of the Stallage and Piccage - - - - -	32	-	-
Rents of the Cattle Toll - - - - -	36	-	-
Rents of the Sheep Market - - - - -	12	-	-
Chief Rents collected - - - - -	16	12	-
£.	146	9	-

It does not appear, from any documents in the keeping of the Chamberlain of the Corporation, how they became possessed of the above tenements. The Piccage, Stallage, Waste Ground Rents and Tolls are received by virtue of their Charter of incorporation.

The ANNUAL OUTGOINGS from the CORPORATION FUNDS are applied as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
To J. H. Franks, for Quit-rents - - - - -	12	11	4
The Executors of Edward Holland, Fee-farm Rent of the Tolls, &c. in Banbury - - - - -	6	13	4
To Town Clerk's Salary - - - - -	25	-	-
His professional Bill last year - - - - -	7	8	1
The Expenses of the Court Leet - - - - -	12	15	6
The Wages of the Serjeants at Mace - - - - -	10	-	-
The Wages of the Crier - - - - -	2	-	-
The Expense of the Corporation Meetings - - - - -	6	10	6
Subscription to National School - - - - -	4	-	-
The Expenses of the Mayoralty - - - - -	21	-	-
Cakes for the Judges at Oxford Assizes - - - - -	2	3	6
Sundry Charges in repairing the Town Hall, Stationery, and sundry other Outgoings, on a supposition at per ann. - - -	10	-	-
£.	120	2	3

The Savings or Overplus, is applied in the liquidation of sundry heavy Bills and Expenses, now outstanding and owing from the Corporation.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Banbury.*

DATES.	N A M E S.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.	OFFICES HELD.
1813	Joseph Pain - - -	Gentleman - - -	Mayor.
	Henry Hugh Holbech -	Barrister at Law -	Deputy Recorder.
	Richard Chapman - -	Surgeon - - -	Justice of the Peace.
	John Pain - - -	Timber Merchant -	Justice of the Peace.
	William Judd - - -	Carrier - - -	Justice of the Peace.
1814	John West - - -	Draper - - -	Mayor.
1815	John Pain - - -	Timber Merchant -	Mayor.
1816	Joseph Pain - - -	Gentleman - - -	Mayor.
1817	John West - - -	Draper - - -	Mayor.
1818	Charles Wyatt - - -	Banker - - -	Mayor.
1819	Robert Brayne - - -	Surgeon - - -	Mayor.
	Robert Brayne - - -	Surgeon - - -	Justice of the Peace.
1820	John Salmon - - -	Gentleman - - -	Mayor.
1821	John Pain - - -	Timber Merchant -	Mayor.
1822	Joseph Pain - - -	Gentleman - - -	Mayor.
1823	Richard Griffin - -	Salesman - - -	Mayor.
1824	John West - - -	Draper - - -	Mayor.
	The Marquis of Bute -	- - - - -	Recorder.
1825	Robert Brayne - - -	Surgeon - - -	Mayor.
1826	Rev. John Lamb - - -	Doctor in Divinity -	Mayor.
1827	John Pain - - -	Timber Merchant -	Mayor.
	Robert Cross - - -	Barrister at Law -	Deputy Recorder.
1828	John Pain - - -	Timber Merchant -	Mayor.
	William Stuart - - -	Esquire - - -	Recorder.
1829	Burrows Matthias Kirby -	Seedsman - - -	Mayor.
	Andrew Amos - - -	Barrister at Law -	Deputy Recorder.
1830	Thomas Brayne - - -	Surgeon - - -	Mayor.
1831	Charles Brickwell - -	Surgeon - - -	Mayor.
	Charles Brickwell - -	Surgeon - - -	Justice of the Peace.
	Thomas Noon Talfourd -	Barrister at Law -	Deputy Recorder.
	Daniel Stuart - - -	Esquire - - -	Justice of the Peace.
1832	Charles Brickwell - -	Surgeon - - -	Mayor.
	John Golby Rusher - -	Bookseller and Stationer	Justice of the Peace.

W. Walford, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF BARNSTAPLE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of the Property.	How acquired.	Purposes for which given.	How now applied.
Certain Estates, in the several parishes of Barnstaple, Hartland, Georgeham, and Fremington, all in Devonshire, purchased with monies given by Mr. John Penrose, Mr. Richard Beaple and Mr. William Palmer, the rents of which now amount to 189 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> - -	- Will -	- - To build Almshouses in Barnstaple, and for the maintenance thereof, and relief of the Poor placed therein - - -	- - The clear income arising from these several bequests is applied in keeping the almshouses, called "Penrose's Almshouses," in repair; insuring the same against fire; and relieving the 40 poor persons placed therein, by monthly payments.
A Poll-deed on the Barnstaple Turnpike Trust, for 50 <i>l.</i> - - -	Given in the lifetime of Donor	- - Towards the support of Penrose's Almshouses -	
A Poll-deed, on the South Molton Turnpike Trust for 50 <i>l.</i> ; both given by Denys Rolle, Esq. - - -		- - - - -	
£. 255 Stock, in the Old South Sea Annuities, in the names of Nicholas Glass, Edward Richards Roberts and John Marshall; 24 <i>l.</i> of which were purchased with 20 <i>l.</i> given by Mrs. Joan Stanbury -	- Will -	- - To the Poor in Penrose's Almshouses - - -	
And the residue of the said Stock was purchased with surplus Monies, accumulated from time to time - -	Accumulations.	- - For the benefit of Penrose's Almshouses - -	

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Description of the Property.	How acquired.	Purposes for which given.	How now applied.
Certain Estates in the parishes of Barnstaple and Bishop's Tawton, both in Devonshire, given by Mr. Thomas Horwood and Alice Horwood his widow, the rents of which now amount to 76 <i>l.</i> 16 <i>s.</i>	Will and Deed.	-- For building Almshouses in Barnstaple; for keeping the same in repair, and relieving the poor placed therein - - -	-- The clear income is applied in keeping the Almshouses in repair, insuring the same against fire, and relieving the 16 poor persons placed therein.
£. 100 Stock in the New South Sea Annuities, in the names of John May, Nicholas Glass, John Marshall and John May, the younger; also, 14 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i> Stock in the Old South Sea Annuities, standing in the same name -	Supposed by accumulations.	-- For the benefit of Horwood's Almshouses -	
£. 50 in money, given by Elizabeth Paige - - -	- Will -	-- To be placed out at interest, and the interest yearly to be applied towards keeping Almshouses in repair, and the residue thereof yearly to the poor persons therein - - -	-- Fifty shillings, as the interest of this donation, are yearly divided equally amongst the eight poor inhabitants of Paige's Almshouses, on St. Thomas's day.
An Annuity of 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> given by William Canford, issuing out of lands belonging to Penrose's Almshouses before mentioned - - -	- Will -	-- Towards the relief and maintenance of the poor of the Almshouse in Barnstaple.	-- This sum is regularly received of the Trustees of Penrose's Almshouses, and divided amongst the poor inhabitants of Paige's Almshouse.
A small tenement, called Congerham, at Newport, in the parish of Bishop's Tawton, in Devonshire, given by Robert Appley - - -	- Will -	-- To be distributed quarterly amongst such poor people as should from time to time be admitted into the almshouse of the Town.	-- The clear rent (after deducting the necessary repairs of the Almshouse) is divided quarterly amongst the poor inhabitants of Paige's Almshouse.
A yearly rent-charge of 20 <i>l.</i> issuing out of the Barton and Demesne of Hedd, in the parishes of Chittlehampton and Chumleigh, in Devonshire, given by Richard Beaple -	- Will -	To be distributed amongst the most necessitous, sick, old and impotent people of the town of Barnstaple.	
A small tenement in Barnstaple, called Facey's Ground, given by Bartholomew Wakeman - - -	Deed -	-- The yearly profits for ever, to be distributed amongst the poor of the parish of Barnstaple, not being pensioners, as the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses shall appoint.	-- The annual income arising from these six gifts is united into one fund, and distributed at Christmas, yearly, by the Mayor and Aldermen, in articles of clothing and money, amongst the poor (amounting on an average to between 400 and 500 persons) in proportion to the numbers in each family.
A small Field, called Withy Close, in Barnstaple, given by Richard Cornish - - -	- Will -	-- The rent to be yearly distributed amongst the poor of the parish of Barnstaple, in such shares and proportions as the Mayor and Aldermen for the time being shall think fit -	
Two dwellinghouses in Boutport-street, Barnstaple, given by Robert Appley - - -	- Will -	-- To be disposed of for the relief, behoof and benefit of poor people inhabiting within the borough of Barnstaple, for ever -	
Four small fields, in the parish of Pilton, in Devonshire, given by Adam Lagg - - -	- Will -	-- For the benefit and relief of the poor of the borough and parish of Barnstaple.	
A rent-charge of 40 <i>s.</i> payable out of a house and garden in Holland-street, Barnstaple, given by Richard Ferris - -	- Will -	-- For the use and benefit of the poor of the parish of Barnstaple - - -	
An annuity of 30 <i>s.</i> issuing out of lands, called Mountjoy's Tenement, in Bickington, in Devonshire, given by Roger Jeffery - - -	- Will -	-- To be distributed yearly amongst poor decayed housekeepers of Barnstaple - - -	Distributed yearly by the mayor for the time being, amongst six poor decayed housekeepers of Barnstaple.
£. 100, now invested in two Poll-deeds of the Barnstaple Turnpike Trust, for 50 <i>l.</i> each, bearing interest at 4 <i>l.</i> per cent., given by Rev. John Wright - - -	Deed -	-- Interest to be paid to the Master of the Grammar School of Barnstaple, for the time being, for his better support and maintenance - - -	Interest paid yearly to the Master of the Grammar School of Barnstaple.

Barnstaple, }  
5 March 1833. }Henry Drake,  
Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Barnstaple.*

NAMES.	Professions or Trades.	NAMES.	Professions or Trades.
Robert Newton Inledon.	Esquire.	William Law -	Solicitor.
Thomas Stevens -	Esquire, Barrister at Law.	John Law -	Banker & Merchant.
Richard Rowe Methrell.	General Merchant.	Thomas Copner -	Furnishing Ironmonger and Plumber.
William Law -	Tanner and Woolstapler.	John Pyke -	Banker & Merchant.
Samuel Bremridge -	Woollen Manufacturer.	Charles Roberts -	Solicitor.
William Slocombe -	Woollen Manufacturer.	John Cooke -	Woollen-Draper.
John May -	Commander in R.N. on half-pay.	John Marshall -	Banker.
William Chappell Pacole.	Plumber & Brazier.	Henry Nicholls -	Clerk, Master of the Grammar School.
John May, Jun. -	Esquire.	Nicholas Glass -	Comptroller of the Customs.
Edward Richards Roberts.	Collector of the Customs.	Robert Budd -	Gentleman.
Samuel Bremridge, Jun.	Woolstapler.	Richard Bremridge -	Solicitor.
		William Law, Jun. -	Gentleman.
		William Mackworth Praed.	Esquire, Barrister at Law.
		Robert Weldon Grace	Lace Manufacturer.

Barnstaple, March 5, 1833.

Henry Drake, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF BATH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

LANDS and PREMISES belonging to the Free Grammar School and Black Alms, or *St. Catherine's Hospital.*

THE PREMISES.	RESERVED RENT, Per Annum.
Monk's Mill, being a water grist-mill, tucking mill, and the Island Plot of ground, messuage and buildings, in Bell Tree-lane, parcel of the late Bell Inn	£. s. d. 1 - -
Plot of ground and messuage in Stall-street, and another in Bell Tree-lane, other parcel of the late Bell Inn	8 - -
Part of a messuage, court, stables, outhouses and appurtenances, called "The White Hart Inn," in Stall-street	12 - -
Plot of ground, messuage and vaults, in Fountain Buildings, late Warborough Chapel	315 - -
Other plot of ground, &c. &c. there	8 8 -
Other plot of ground, &c. &c. —	8 8 -
Other plot of ground, &c. &c. —	8 12 -
Other plot of ground, &c. &c. —	6 6 -
Other plot of ground, &c. &c. —	6 6 -
Two messuages, (late Shaylor's,) in the Orange Grove	- 16 -
Another messuage and garden there (late Moore's)	- 2 -
Plot of ground and four messuages, in the Saw Close, or New Westgate Buildings, (late part of Westgate House,) and houses adjoining	- 1 -
£.	374 19 -

These charities were both founded by charter of the 6th Edward VI. for the education of boys and young men in grammar, and for the maintenance of 10 poor persons; and the funds are applied agreeably to the charter.

LANDS and PREMISES belonging to *Bellott's Hospital.*

THE PREMISES.	RESERVED RENT, Per Annum.
A messuage and lands at Donhead St. Mary, in the county of Wilts, called "Hallam Hall"	£. s. d. 75 - -
A farm-house and lands at Donhead St. Mary	- 10 6
A messuage and premises at Ludwell	- 7 6
A cottage, garden and orchard there	- 2 -
£.	76 - -

This was acquired by Indenture, dated 5th January, 8th James 1st.; made between Thomas Bellott, of the first part; the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Bath, of the second

second part; the then Lord Bishop of Bath & Wells, of the third part; and the Dean and Chapter of the same church, of the fourth part:—For the purpose of receiving into an almshouse 12 poor persons, resorting to Bath for the benefit of the waters, during the months of March, April, May and September; and to pay them 4*d.* each per diem, also to pay a surgeon, a nurse and the chamberlain.

Applied as directed by the deed.

A sum of 400*l.* was given to this Hospital by Lady Moyer, in the year 1723; the interest to be applied for the purpose of keeping open the same in the months of June, July and August; and the same is kept open accordingly.

#### *Power's Gift.*

An annual payment, issuing out of houses erected on the site of late }  
Penny Hancock and Lucy Gibbon's houses, and now forming the } £. 2 - -  
eastern part of the corridor, in the High-street, Bath - - }

Cannot be traced how the same was acquired. The purposes for which the same was given not known; but the amount is given to the poor in bread.

A sum of 200*l.* was given by the Lady Moyer, in the year 1723; the interest to be applied for the benefit of the poor, who came to Bath for the benefit of the Leper's bath. No such bath is now in existence; but the poor who need the use of the hot baths are admitted gratuitously, on the recommendation of a medical man, and have all the advantages of the baths and attendants.

A sum of 6*l.* 3*s.* is annually distributed in bread during Lent, to the poor, which is understood to be the gift of Mr. Clement & others, but how acquired is not known.

A further sum of 2*l.* 12*s.* is paid annually to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Peter and St. Paul, to be by them distributed to the poor in bread; it is understood to be the gift of Mr. Atwood, but how acquired is not known.

A sum of 200*l.* was given; and by Indenture, dated 10th December 1652, between the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Bath, of the one part; and James Scudamore, esq. & others, on the other part; 8*l.* per annum was to be paid to a physician, to attend poor strangers coming to the baths, and 40*s.* for a dinner for the mayor and aldermen; and the two sums are applied accordingly.

A sum of 300*l.*, called "Sir William Waller's, Lady Booth's and Mr. Sturridge's Money."

How acquired not known, supposed to be by gift; nor is it known for what given, but 15*l.* is annually paid to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Peter and St. Paul, as interest on Waller, Booth and Sturridge's money.

A sum of 104*l.* is received every 24 years from the Chamber of Bristol, as the gift of Sir Thomas White, under an Indenture, dated 1st July 1566, between the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of Bristol, of the first part; the President and Scholars of St. John's College, Oxford, of the second part; and the Merchant Taylors' Company of London, of the third part:—For the purpose of being lent in sums of 25*l.* each to young men, (freemen,) free of interest for ten years, (the 4*l.* to be expended;) which sums are so advanced to persons applying for the same.

A sum of 50*l.* was given about the year 1733, by Joseph Langton, Esquire, the interest to be applied for the benefit of the poor of Bellott's Hospital, and the same is applied accordingly.

*P. George, Town Clerk.*

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bath.*

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	NAMES.	Professions and Trades.
Joseph Phillott -	Surgeon.	Abel Moysey -	Esquire.
Charles Crook -	Esquire.	William Clark -	Esquire.
Henry Parry -	Esquire.	William Meyler -	Bookseller.
Morgan Nichols -	Surgeon.	John Wiltshire -	Esquire.
Edmund Anderdon -	Esquire.	George Lye -	Gentleman.
John Kitson -	Apothecary.	William Tudor -	Surgeon.
John Horton -	Apothecary.	Joseph Hume Spry -	Doctor of Physic.
Harry Atwood -	Esquire.	John Ford Davis -	Doctor of Physic.
Henry Harington -	Doctor of Physic.	George Kitson -	Surgeon.
Charles Phillott -	Banker.	William Clark -	Esquire.
William Anderdon -	Esquire.	James Sloper -	Gentleman.
John Palmer -	Esquire.	George Norman -	Surgeon.
George Hayward Tugwell.	Banker.	Johnson Phillott -	Banker.
George Edward Allen	Esquire.	Thomas Croxall Cam	Surgeon.
		Eleazer Pickwick -	Esquire.

Bath,  
14 February 1833.}

*P. George,*  
Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF BEAUMARIS.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

RETURN of the PROPERTY and ANNUAL INCOME, due at Michaelmas 1832.	The MANNER in which the same have been acquired.	The PURPOSES for which the same were given.
<p>Amount of Chief Rents - - - £. s. d.  Rent of Lands let as a Lea for Cattle - 35 9 6  Rent of the Dues in respect of the Anchorage, Perchage and Town Dues and Ancient Customs - 80 - -  Rents of parts of the Corporation Lands and Estates let upon Leases for building Houses and other Improvements - 16 13 6  Rents of Houses let at Rack-rent, and built by the Corporation upon their Waste Ground - 337 17 6  Rents of Butcher's Stalls, Town and Country - 11 6 -  Rents for Oyster-ground on the Sea Shore - 6 2 -</p> <p>Rents of Houses lately built by different persons upon the site of the old County Gaol, and other premises lately purchased by the Corporation in the Town of Beaumaris - - - 75 1 10 ½</p>	<p>-- The Corporation of Beaumaris acquired their estates, tolls, dues and revenues under a Grant or Charter of Incorporation granted by King Edward I., which was confirmed by Letters Patent in the first year of Queen Elizabeth, reserving to the Crown a fee-farm rent of 34<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> 1<i>d.</i> which has been annually paid.</p> <p>-- The property, comprising the old County Gaol of Anglesey and certain premises adjoining thereto, were purchased by the Corporation of Beaumaris, in the year 1829, with money borrowed by the Corporation for the purpose; and the old buildings taken down, and the ground allotted and set upon building leases, for the benefit and great improvement of the town.</p>	<p>-- For the government of the town and support of the burgesses, and to enable them to bear the expenses of keeping in repairs the walls and banks of the borough against the inundation of the sea, and the improvement of the navigation of the river. To fortify the town against enemies.</p>

The Mode in which the same are distributed and applied, as taken from the Bailiff's Account of last year, ending November 1832.

	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.
The Recorder's Salary - - - -	2 - -	Brought forward - - - -	10 1 5	603 6 1
The Town Clerk's Salary - - - -	21 - -	Ringers on the King's Birth-day - - -	1 1 -	
The Serjeants at Mace - - - -	10 10 -	Ditto - on the arrival of H.R.H. the Duchess of Kent at Beaumaris - - - -	1 1 -	
The Organist of the Town Church, a donation - - - -	21 - -	Ditto - on her Birth-day - - - -	1 1 -	
The Singers at - ditto - - - ditto - -	5 5 -	Special Constables - - - -	1 1 -	
The Parish Clerk ditto - - - ditto - -	- 10 -	Chief Rent on the old Gaol - - - -	- 1 -	
The Town Crier and Beadle - - - -	4 4 -	Paid for Prayer-books for the use of the Corporation - - - -	1 10 -	
The 4 Constables - - - -	4 4 -	Paid for Timber, for sundry purposes - - - -	2 15 8	
The Sexton, for ringing the morning Bell - - - -	1 - -	Paid Special Constables for attendance during the Eisteddfod - - -	8 - -	
Fee-farm Rent due to the Crown - - - -	34 15 1	Sundries supplied for the Guildhall - - - -	10 5 10	
The Constables, for keeping watch and ward on Fair nights - - - -	1 10 -	Subscription to the fund for the relief of the Poor afflicted with the Cholera - - - -	10 10 -	
The Town Clerk, for general business - - - -	6 7 -	Subscription to the Regatta - - - -	10 10 -	
Ditto - - for law business, 1832 - - -	25 2 4	Architect, for superintending the taking down the old Gaol and Greenwich, and selling the old materials - - - -	10 - -	
Ditto - - for conveyancing business, 1830 and 1831 - - - -	33 3 4	The Organist, for copying music - - -	12 - -	
Interest upon Mortgage-money borrowed - - - -	182 3 6	A Wheelbarrow - - - -	10 - -	
Poor's Rates and Repairs of the Corporation Lands - - - -	8 13 8	The two Bailiffs, in lieu of grass for a cow in the town fields (an ancient custom) - - - -	3 - -	
Repairs of the public Water-works - - - -	16 1 9			71 19 11
Repairs of Houses on the Green and the Town, Sea-walls and Quays - - - -	67 15 11			£. 675 6 -
Repairs and ventilating the Corporation Houses in Clay Pits, and making Drains - - -	88 12 6			
Repairs of the Perch Channel Buoys and Life Boat - - - -	25 17 10			
Repairs of the Guildhall and Shambles - - -	43 10 2			
SUNDRIES : £. s. d.				
Cartage of Manure to Town Fields 9 3 2				
For Land Tax - - - -	4 6 -			
Smith's Bill - - - -	13 9 -			
Carried forward - - - £. 10 1 5	603 6 1			

The late Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley, who died in the year 1822, by his Will bequeathed 2,000*l.* unto the Mayor, Bailiffs, Recorder and Capital Burgesses of the town and borough of Beaumaris and their successors, in trust, to pay out the same at interest on real or Government Securities, or to purchase lands therewith, and to apply the year interest and proceeds thereof for such other uses or charitable purposes, for the benefit or internal regulation of the said borough or town of Beaumaris, as they the said Mayor, Bailiffs, Recorder and Capital Burgesses, and their successors for the time being, or a majority of them, in their corporate capacity, should from time to time in their discretion think proper to appropriate the same.

The above sum, after deducting 200*l.* thereout, legacy duty, to Government, was paid to the Corporation, and the interest has been since laid out according to the directions of the Will.

J<sup>o</sup> Jones, Town Clerk of Beaumaris.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Beaumaris*.

1813:	John Bodychen Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	Edward Rice, Tanner - } Bailiffs	
	and	
	John Lloyd, Tanner - }	
1814:	William Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	John Jones, Attorney at Law - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Edward Edwards, Maltster - }	
1815:	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	Robert Allen, Grocer - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Richard Lewis, Leather Merchant }	
1816:	John Hampton Hampton, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	William Williams, Esq., Comptroller of Customs - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	William Hughes, Esq., Collector of Customs - }	
1817:	Rowland Williams, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	Edward Rice, Tanner - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Griffith Roberts, Surgeon - }	
1818:	John Bodychen Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	Hugh Wynne, Esq. - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	John Lloyd - }	
1819:	William Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	Richard Lewis, Leather Merchant - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Edward Edwards, Maltster - }	
1820:	John Hampton Hampton, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	William Williams, Esq., Comptroller of Customs - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	James Harris, Wine Merchant - }	
1821:	Rowland Williams, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Lord Viscount Warren Bulkeley - Recorder.	
	Edward Rice, Tanner - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Thos. Williams, Attorney at Law }	
1822:	John Bodychen Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	Griffith Roberts, Surgeon - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	John Boggie, Gentleman - }	
1823:	John Hampton Hampton, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	Richard Lewis, Leather Merchant - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	William Hughes, Esq., Collector of Customs - }	
1824:	Richard Bulkeley Williams, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	Griffith Roberts, Surgeon - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Thos. Williams, Attorney at Law }	
1825:	William Wynne Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	John Lloyd, Farmer - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Edward Edwards, Maltster - }	
1826:	William Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	Edward Rice, Tanner - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	John Boggie, Gentleman - }	
1827:	Thomas Peers Williams, Esq. M.P. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	William Hughes, Esq., Collector of Customs - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Wm. Williams, Attorney at Law }	
1828:	Rowland Williams, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	Griffith Roberts, Surgeon - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Hugh Roberts, Grocer - }	
1829:	William Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	James Harris, Wine Merchant - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Thos. Williams, Attorney at Law }	
1830:	Richard Bulkeley Williams Bulkeley, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Robert Williams, Bart. - Recorder.	
	John Lloyd, Tanner - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Edward Edwards, Maltster - }	
1831:	Rowland Williams, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Richard Bulkeley Williams Bulkeley, Bart. M.P. - Recorder.	
	Edward Rice, Tanner - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Edward Owen Snow, Surgeon - }	
1832:	William Sparrow, Esq. - Mayor.	
	Sir Richard Bulkeley Williams Bulkeley, Bart. M.P. - Recorder.	
	Griffith Roberts, Surgeon - } Bailiffs.	
	and	
	Richard Lewis, Leather Merchant }	

2 March 1833.

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J<sup>o</sup> Jones,  
Town Clerk of Beaumaris.

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## BOROUGH OF BEDFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are five Charities, subjects of the before-mentioned Return; viz.

1. *Hawes's* Charity, founded in 1619.
2. *Ursula Boteler's* Charity, founded in 1622.
3. *Thomas Hawes's* Charity, founded in 1626.
4. *Mary Paradine's* Charity, founded in 1631.
5. *Newton's* Charity, founded in 1760.

1. As to *Hawes's* Charity.

1619. January 1st.

*Thomas Hawes*, by Will of this date, gave to the Mayor and Corporation of Bedford, four chambers and three shops in the Butcher-row, Bedford; to be disposed of to four Widows of good character and diligent resorters to divine service.

The Butcher-row was very old and ruinous, and the site of it being required by the Commissioners for carrying into execution an Act of 43d Geo. III. c. 128, for the improvement of the town of Bedford, it was purchased by them about the year 1803, for the purposes of the Act; and the purchase-money of the four chambers was laid out in the erection of four brick tenements in Whitehorse-street, in the parish of St. Paul, in the same town, which are now, and have been from the time of their erection, occupied by four poor widows, rent-free. The Corporation were possessed of six other shops in the Butcher-row, and at the time of the purchase by the Commissioners it was not known which three shops belonged to this charity, but the Corporation had for many years previously paid to the four Widows 5*l.* 14*s.* per annum, by weekly payments, as an equivalent for the rents of the three shops devised by the Will. The nine shops were sold to the Commissioners for 225*l.*, being at the rate of 25*l.* for each shop, and the Corporation have retained 75*l.* in respect of the three shops belonging to this Charity, but have continued to pay the poor widows 5*l.* 14*s.* per annum, although that payment exceeds the amount of the interest of 75*l.*

2. As to *Ursula Boteler's* Charity.

*Ursula Boteler*, by her Will directed her executors to purchase Land of Inheritance of the yearly value of 20*s.* for the benefit of the poor people of Bedford, to be distributed on Christmas-day by the direction of the Mayor and Corporation.

1622 April 3d.

By Indenture of this date, Sir *Thomas Boteler*, son of the testatrix, granted to the Mayor and Trustees therein named, an annuity of 20*s.* issuing out of a messuage and twenty-five acres of land at Biddenham, Beds, payable on St. Thomas's Day, in stead or satisfaction of the purchase directed to be made by the Will of the testatrix.

This annuity is regularly paid to the Chamberlains of the Corporation by Lady Hampden, to whom the estate upon which it is charged now belongs, and the amount is applied by the Corporation in increasing the endowment of the four poor widows partaking of *Hawes's* charity.

3. As to *Thomas Hawes's* Charity.

1626. December.

*Thomas Hawes*, by his Will of this date, devised as follows:—"Item, I give and bequeath unto the poor people of the town of Bedd' the sum hereafter mentioned; that is to say, the sum of 16*l.* to buy and purchase a rent-charge, or an annuity, of 20*s.* by the year, in the name of some of the most able and substantial inhabitants of the town of Bedford, and the said rent of 20*s.* by the year to be yearly paid unto the treasurer for Sir William Harpur's gift to the town of Bedford for the time being, and the same to be yearly bestowed amongst the poor people of all the five parishes of the said town against the Feast Day of the Nativity of our Lord God, in such good, charitable and christian manner as to the Mayor of the town of Bedford, and others of the best sort and degree within the said town of Bedford, shall see most fitting; which said purchase of 20*s.* by the year I desire should be made by my executors within three years next after my death."

1630. September 23d.

By Feoffment of this date, *Thomas Hawes*, son of the testator, in performance of the meaning or intention of his father's Will, and in satisfaction of the said sum of 16*l.* granted and

and enfeoffed to Robert Bamforth, Mayor of Bedford, and five other persons, a pightle or close of pasture, containing, by estimation, three roods, in Horne-lane, in the parish of St. Paul, Bedford, upon trust to "dispose and pay over the rents, issues and profits of the said pightle or close of pasture, with the appurtenances, according to the purport and true intention and meaning of the said Will before recited."

No subsequent conveyance of the premises to trustees appears to have been executed, and the land has long been in the possession of the Corporation or their Lessee, but it is not known in whom the legal estate is now vested, nor when the land first came into the possession of the Corporation.

It is let with other premises belonging to the Corporation to the trustees of the Bedford Charity for a term of ninety-six years from Michaelmas 1807, at a gross rent for the whole, but no apportionment was made in respect of the pightle, and the Corporation continued to apply a sum of 1*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* per annum to the relief of some poor object of the Charity, which sum was considered to have been the apportioned rent, as the ground contains by admeasurement only 1 R. 31 P.

Doubts having arisen whether that sum was a fair apportionment of the rent, the Corporation investigated the subject; and it appearing that the ground was in lease at 30*s.* a year rent up to Michaelmas 1803, and that from that time to Michaelmas 1807 it was let as a garden to the master of one of the schools of the Bedford Charity, by the rent of 5*l.*, the Corporation deemed the latter sum to be the rent, and, calculating the rent at that rate from Michaelmas 1803, and deducting therefrom 1*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* yearly appropriated as above mentioned, there remained a surplus of 94*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* in the hands of the Corporation, applicable to the purposes of this Charity.

The Corporation considered that it would be more beneficial, instead of distributing the surplus, to invest it in the funds, and apply the dividends according to the trusts declared respecting the rents, and after paying 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for law charges for preparing a Deed of Declaration of the trusts of the investment, they invested in November last 87*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*, being the remainder of the accumulated rents, in the purchase of 86*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*, 4 per Cent. Stock of 1826, which they still hold for the purposes of the said Charity, but no dividend hath yet become due.

#### 4. As to *Mary Paradine's* Charity.

1631.

About this time *Mary Paradine* gave to the Governors of Christ's Hospital, London, 400*l.* in trust, to purchase lands, and out of the rents thereof to pay the yearly sum of 6*l.* to the Mayor and Bailiffs of Bedford, towards the relief and maintenance of the poor of that town. I am not informed how the funds have been invested by the Governors of Christ's Hospital, but the yearly sum of 6*l.* is regularly received by the Mayor and Bailiffs from the Treasurer of that Institution, and applied in the purchase of clothing for poor men of the said town, as far as the fund will extend.

#### 5. As to *Newton's* Charity.

1760. March 15.

By Bargain and Sale enrolled in Chancery, *Gabriel Newton*, an Alderman of the Borough of Leicester, settled certain freehold estates in Leicestershire upon the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses of Leicester, upon trust, out of the rents and profits thereof (amongst other charitable purposes not applying to this branch of the Charity) to pay to the Mayor and Corporation of Bedford 26*l.* yearly towards the clothing, schooling and educating 25 boys of indigent or necessitous parents of the Established Church of England in the borough of Bedford, under the restrictions contained in the said trust deed.

After the death of Mr. Newton, this Charity was the subject of litigation with the Corporation of Leicester for several years, during which there was an accumulation of the trust fund. The suit being at length adjusted, the accumulation was laid out in the purchase of 259*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, which sum is now standing in the name of the Corporation in the books at the Bank of England.

The yearly sum of 26*l.* is yearly paid by the Corporation of Leicester, which, with 7*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*, the yearly dividends of the above stock, is applied by the Corporation of Bedford in strict conformity with the trusts of the Deed of Foundation.

Although not within the scope of the Return required by the Secretary of State's letter of the 11th instant, it may be proper to add, that the members of the Corporation of Bedford *ex officio* in their individual capacities, and jointly with the Lord Lieutenant, the Representatives in Parliament for the town and county of Bedford, and eighteen other persons, elected from the inhabitants of Bedford, are trustees of the estates given by Sir William Harpur and Dame Alice, his wife, and incorporated by the style of "The Trustees of the Bedford Charity," by the Act of 7 Geo. IV. c. 29, intituled, "An Act for the better management and disposition of the Estates given by Sir William Harpur, knight, and Dame Alice, his wife, for a free and perpetual School in the town of Bedford, and other purposes, and of the Rents and Profits thereof;" which Act is a public Act. An account of the application of the funds of this Charity is published annually according to the directions of the Act.

Theed Pearse, jun.  
Town Clerk.

Bedford, 25th February 1833.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bedford.*

I HEREBY certify, That no member of the Corporation of the Borough of Bedford, by virtue of his election to corporate office in the same borough, hath become a Magistrate of the said Borough, and acted as such during the said period, otherwise than that the Mayor for the time being is entitled to act as a magistrate by virtue of the commission of the peace, on taking the oaths under a general writ of *Dedimus potestatem* for that purpose: And I further certify, That the names, professions and trades of the several persons who have so qualified themselves to act, and have acted as magistrates under the said commission by reason of serving the office of Mayor of the said borough for the time being, are as follows: viz.

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.	Year of Acting, commencing at Michaelmas in each Year.
Thomas Kidman - - -	Gentleman - - -	1815
Charles Webb - - -	Woolstapler - - -	1816
John Wing - - -	Stone-mason - - -	1817
John Cooke - - -	Gentleman - - -	1818
Charles Short - - -	Surgeon - - -	1821
Thomas Kidman - - -	Gentleman - - -	1824
James Webb - - -	Stationer - - -	1825
Charles Short - - -	Surgeon - - -	1826
Charles Bailey - - -	Gentleman - - -	1827
Thomas Gwyn Elger - - -	Builder - - -	1830
Charles Bailey - - -	Gentleman - - -	1831
George Peregrine Nash - - -	Common Brewer - - -	1832

And I further certify, That in the years 1812, 1813, 1814, 1819, 1820, 1822, 1823, 1828 and 1829, the office of Mayor of the said Borough was served by members of the said Corporation who were individually and by name empowered to act, and did act as magistrates by virtue of the said commission of the peace, previous to their respectively serving the said office of Mayor. Dated this 25th day of February 1833.

*Theed Pearse*, jun. Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF BERWICK-UPON-TWEED.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

DATE.	AMOUNT, AND HOW SECURED.	HOW DISTRIBUTED AND APPLIED.
1632	Rent-charge of £. 10 per annum, payable quarterly (secured on the Corporation's lands) to 10 poor widows resident within the borough, granted by Valantine Mortoff, Esq. formerly of the city of London.	Paid to each Widow, at 5s. per quarter, by the Treasurer of the Corporation of Berwick-upon-Tweed.
1661: November 20	Rent-charge of £. 6. 1. 4. granted by Roger Tweedy, Esq., secured on the Corporation's lands, to be given to 14 poor persons in bread, weekly.	Distributed by the churchwardens of the parish and parish church of Berwick for the time being, at the parish church, on Sundays, weekly, after divine service and sermon in the forenoon.

Berwick, 16 Feb. 1833.

*M. Jameson*, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Berwick-upon-Tweed.*

NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	RESIDENCE.
Thomas Chartres, Esq. Mayor -	Ironmonger and Ship-owner	Berwick.
David Logan, Esq. - - -	Gentleman - - -	ditto.
William Pattison, Esq. - - -	Gentleman - - -	Dupath-house, Cornwall.
Rev. Joseph Barnes - - -	Vicar of Berwick - - -	Berwick.
Thomas Jordan Steel, Esq. - -	Gentleman - - -	ditto.
William Weatherhead, Esq. - -	Cooper and Ship-owner - -	ditto.
William Dunbar How, Esq. M. D. -	Physician - - -	ditto.
John Wilson, Esq. - - -	Gentleman - - -	Tweed-house, Berwick.
John Bertram Orde, Esq. - - -	Gentleman - - -	Longridge-house, near ditto.
John Langhorn, Esq. - - -	Banker - - -	Berwick.
Robert Ingham, Esq. M. P. Recorder	Barrister at law - - -	{ Temple, London, and Westoe, near South Shields.

Berwick, 16 Feb. 1833.

*M. Jameson*, Town Clerk.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE NAMES of THE DONORS.	Whether by Will or Deed, and when made.	THE REAL OR PERSONAL ESTATES GIVEN.	THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY.	THE TRUSTEES under whose directions the Distributions take place.	The Time when.
Thwaites Fox, of Beverley, Esq.	By Deeds, dated the 4th, 7th and 9th June 1636.	The freehold Hospital situate in Minster-moor-gate, in Beverley; also, a close adjoining the hospital, containing 3 a.; also, the yearly rent-charge of 10 l. issuing out of certain lands, &c. at Arnold and Coniston; 105 l. 3 s. per Cents., 100 l. 3 s. per Cents., 179 l. 4 s. 2 d. 3 s. per Cents., and 199 l. 16 s. 8 d. 3 per Cents., in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	Four poor widows born in the town of Beverley, who have been inhabitants therein 20 years, and have had relief from the parish, by weekly allowances and contributions, or otherwise, within the said town, for two years before their election.	J. Duesbery and W. Beverley, Esqrs. the surviving Trustees.	Monthly.
Robert Gray, of the parish of All Saints, Bread-street, London.	By Will, dated the 26th August 1636.	The yearly sum of 6 l., arising from the interest of 200 l. in the hands of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	The poor of the town of Howden; paid to the Overseers.	- - - -	At Howden Fair.
Robt Metcalfe, D. D. and one of the Senior Fellows of Trinity College, Cambridge.	By Will and Codicil, dated the 9th October 1652.	The yearly sum of 40 l. charged upon a barn, and divers closes of freehold and tithe-free land, containing 90 a. 1 r. 30 p., situate at Guilden Morden, in the county of Cambridge, and now in the occupation of Masters; also, the further yearly sum of 20 l. charged upon, and issuing out of a farm-house and divers closes of land, containing 47 a. 1 r. 39 p. situate at Over, in the county of Cambridge, and now in the occupation of Widow Burling; the present yearly rent is 172 l.	As to 40 l. a year, the Preacher or Lecturer of the town of Beverley, for the time being, 10 l.; the Schoolmaster of the Free School in Beverley, 10 l., and three poor scholars of the said school, being poor men's sons, and born in the said town; the remaining 20 l. a year for their maintenance at the University of Cambridge, upon certain conditions; and in case any thing be spared of the said 20 l., the same to be distributed among the poorest people of the said town of Beverley, as well as the whole of the 20 l. a year issuing out of the lands at Over, by the Mayor and Lecturer of the said town of Beverley.	The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses.	20th December, or the day before, or day after.
Margaret Farrer, late of the parish of St. Giles, in the county of Middlesex, gentleman	By Will, dated the 18th August 1669.	Two closes called the Holmes, and one close called Causeway Dale, containing together 20 a., situate at Weel, near Beverley; also, a close containing 13 a. & 19 p., allotted in lieu of three cattle-gates in West Carr; the present gross rent of this property is 35 l. 18 s. 7 d., subject to the drainage tax, and to 6 l. 3 s. interest on 136 l. 15 s. 1 d. expended in the drainage and inclosure.	Twelve poor women, inhabitants of Beverley, 5 s. a-piece; a Minister to preach a sermon in St. Mary's Church on the 23d March, 20 s.; and a boy, the child of some honest person, an inhabitant of Beverley, 40 s. for his schooling, and also the residue of the rents and profits, if such boy shall be capable and fit to send to the University, to continue towards his maintenance at the University, for seven years, should he not in the meantime get some better preferment.	Eight persons, nominated by the Mayor and Aldermen.	22d March, in St. Mary's Church.



## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

THE NAMES of THE DONORS.	Whether by Will or Deed, and when made.	THE REAL OR PERSONAL ESTATES GIVEN.	THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY.	THE TRUSTEES under whose directions the Distributions take place.	The Time when.
William Lacie, of Thornhill, in the coun- ty of York, D.D.	By Will, dated the 7th of September 1670.	The annual sum of 16 <i>l.</i> , secured by Indenture, bearing date the 26th June 1688, upon certain closes of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses, situate at Beverley, called Saint Gyles's Crofts.	Two scholars, born in Beverley, and educated at the free-school there, to be sent from thence to the University of Cambridge, and entered students in St. John the Evangelist's College; but if there be no such scholars sent from the said free-school to the said town of Beverley, during such vacancy, and no longer.	The Mayor, Al- dermen, and Bur- gesses.	30th November.
William Coates, late of Beverley, butcher.	By Will, dated the 5th Nov. 1681.	The interest of 100 <i>l.</i> in the hands of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	A poor scholar, born in the parish of St. Mary, and sent from the grammar-school in Beverley to the University of Cambridge, the sum of 6 <i>l.</i> for his of Arts, but such scholar not to have this benefit, if the said University. In case there be no such scholar, The poor people of the said town.	The Mayor, Al- dermen and Bur- gesses.	Distributed at Christmas, when no scholar.
Michael Warton, formerly of Beverley, Esquire.	By Indenture, dated 10th June 1688.	An annuity or rent-charge of 6 <i>l.</i> charged upon and issuing out of a messuage, farm and lands, of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley, situate at Weel aforesaid.	The poor of the parish of St. Mary in Beverley	The Mayor and Aldermen.	20th December.
Peregrine Buck, of the county of Lincoln, Esquire.	By Will, dated the 20th Feb. 1693.	The interest of 50 <i>l.</i> secured by Indentures, bearing date the 11th and 12th August 1695, upon a close of meadow or pasture land, called Further Figham Bank, belonging to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses, and situate within the liberties of Beverley.	The poor people of the Town of Beverley	The Mayor, Mi- nister, and Chief Schoolmaster of Beverley.	At Christmas.
Ann Routh, of Be- verley, widow.	By will, dated the 6th October 1721.	A freehold dwelling-house, with its appurtenances, in the occupation of E. Page, situate in a street in Beverley called Toll Gavel; also a farm-house, with Beverley called Toll Gavel; also a farm-house, with containing 140 A. & 3 P. and 11 A. & 18 P. situate at Bridlington, and in the occupation of Mr. T. Brambles; also, a parcel of freehold land containing 31 A. & 8 P. situate at Sewerby, and in the occupation of the said T. Brambles; also, a farm-house, with the outbuildings, and about 29 A. of freehold land, situate at Bielby, and in the occupation of W. Hall; also, 40 A. 3 R. 22 P. of freehold land in Beverley Parks; also, 11 A. 3 R. 38 P. of leasehold land situate at Barnby, in the occupation of J. Johnson and George Dales; also, 14 A. 3 R. 16 P. of freehold land situate at Allerthorpe, and in the occupation of W. Swing and R. Sanderson; also, a farm-house, with the outbuildings, and 41 A. & 13 P. of freehold land, situate at Baswick, in the parish of Leven, and now in the occupation of T. Smith; also, 26 A. 1 R. 10 P. of freehold land, situate at Arnold, and in the occupation of T. Smith; also, 12 A. 3 R. 39 P. of copyhold land, held of the manor of the prebend of Strensall, and situate at Morton, in the parish of Osbaldwick, and now in the occupation of W. Lambert; also, all that freehold hospital called Routh's Hospital, with the yards and appurtenances, situate at Beverley aforesaid; and also, two freehold cottages ad- joining to the said hospital, in the several occupations of J. Robinson and P. Duncan.	As to the house in Toll Gavel, the gross annual income arising from which is 16 <i>l.</i> The ministers of the parish of St. John and St. Martin in Beverley, as to 40 <i>s.</i> a year, to be paid on the 30th Nov. The boys of the charity-school in Beverley aforesaid, as to 30 <i>s.</i> and the poor of the parish of St. John frequenting the church, as to the residue thereof; and the gross annual income arising from the residue of the said real estates now is 58 <i>0<i>l.</i> 4<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i> the objects of which charity are widows of the parish of St. John and St. Martin aforesaid, frequenting the church, and to be nominated and elected by the Mayor and Aldermen of Beverley, and the minister of the parish of St. John aforesaid, for the time being, or the major part of them, the number of which widows is now 32. Each widow has a room for her residence, and is allowed 5<i>s.</i> a week, and 1½ chaldron of coals, and a gown annually. There is also a medical attendant, with two nurses, provided.</i>	As to the house in Toll Gavel, the Mayor and Aldermen of Beverley, and the Minister of St. John aforesaid; and as to the residue of the said estates, the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses.	

By subscription in 1709, augmented by Sir Michael Warton, Knt., who gave 500 <i>l.</i> , which was laid out in the purchase of lands, at Dalby, &c.	By Will, dated the 23d May 1724.	Two undivided parts or shares, (the whole into 21 parts or shares) to be divided, of certain lands, &c. at Dalby, Partney and Dexthorpe, in the county of Lincoln, for which shares the annual sum of 48 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> is now received: also, the yearly sum of 36 <i>l.</i> being the dividends of 1,200 <i>l.</i> stock in the 3 per Cents., standing in the names of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley; and also the further sum of 3 <i>l.</i> , being the dividends of 100 <i>l.</i> stock in the said 3 per Cents., given by John Bowman, Esquire, by Will, dated 19th Nov. 1794, and by Codicil, dated 2d April 1799, and standing in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	Poor boys of and belonging to the town of Beverley, to be clothed, maintained and educated, until they are of sufficient age to be put out apprentices.	The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses. The acting Committee, or the Mayor and four senior Aldermen.	5th November.
Matthew Ashmole, of Beverley, Alderman.	By Will, dated 16th Jan. 1724.	A yearly rent of 3 <i>l.</i> charged upon a freehold close, situate at Grovehill, in Beverley, containing 3 acres, and in the occupation of H. Harrison.	Twenty-four poor burgesses of the town of Beverley, 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each in the choir of St. Mary's church, after divine service.	The Mayor and two Ministers of the said town for the time being.	
George Davis, clerk, late Rector of Staxton, in the county of Norfolk.	By Will, dated 13th March 1764.	The interest of the sum of 100 <i>l.</i> in the hands of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	The poor of the parish of St. Mary in Beverley, to be laid out in meat.	The Mayor and Aldermen.	On Christmas-day, distributed in bread.
John Bradley, of York, gentleman.	By Will, dated 21st Sept. 1770.	The interest of the sum of 100 <i>l.</i> in the hands of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	The poor of the parish of St. Mary in Beverley, in bread or coals, as the trustees shall think most proper.	The Mayor, and two senior Aldermen.	On St. John's day.
The Right rev. John Green, Lord Bishop of Lincoln.	By Will, dated 17th Aug. 1778.	The dividends of 1,000 <i>l.</i> stock in the 3 per Cents., in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	In the first place, 10 <i>l.</i> a year, on certain conditions, to a scholar, the son of a freeman of Beverley, to be sent off from the free-school there to Bennet or St. John's College, in the University of Cambridge, to be clothed, maintained and instructed in the clarity-school at Beverley; and in the next place, for a sermon to be preached annually upon the usefulness of these charitable foundations; and lastly, the boys of the said charity-school, as to the residue thereof.	The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses.	
Thomas Leake, of Bishop Burton, clerk.	By Will, dated 13th March 1784.	The dividends of 200 <i>l.</i> stock in the 3 per Cents., in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	Such ancient poor and necessitous widows and widowers of the parish of St. Martin in Beverley as shall never have received relief as paupers or parish poor, or had any benefit from any almshouse or public charity, &c. 5 <i>s.</i> each; but so always that no one person shall again receive the same bounty, until all such deserving widows and widowers shall have been equally benefitted.	The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses.	On Christmas-day.
Frances Pinckney, of Beverley, widow.	By Will, dated 2d Feb. 1788.	The Interest of the sum of 100 <i>l.</i> in the hands of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	The poor of the parish of St. Mary, in Beverley	The Mayor and Aldermen.	On Christmas-day, distributed in bread.
John Graves, of Beverley, esq.	By Will, dated the —	The Interest of the sum of 50 <i>l.</i> in the hands of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley.	The poor of St. John's parish, who frequently go to hear divine service, 52 <i>s.</i> annually, to be laid out in bread, and distributed at 1 <i>s.</i> each Sunday.	The Minister and Churchwardens of St. John, in Beverley.	

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

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— Dalton	By Will	Three closes, called Swine Moor Closes, adjoining, and containing 10 A. & 12 P. situate in Swine Moor Lane, in Beverley, and now in the occupation of J. Dove, the younger, and D. Ouston. Present rent, 39 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i>	£. 4 a year, in two equal payments, out of the rents of the said closes, to be paid to six trustees, and the survivors of them, and their successors, to be by them disposed of yearly to such poor necessitous persons as they should think most meet.  And the remaining yearly rents of the said closes to the poor of the said town of Beverley, in two equal payments in every year, for ever, 1 <i>s.</i> each person.  As to the 400 <i>l.</i> the interest thereof is to be applied for the benefit and promotion of the Boys' Charity School in Beverley; and as to the residue of his personal estate, the interest thereof to be applied in such charitable purposes as the trustees think proper. The annual appropriation of this residue at present is,—  <table><tr><td>For Medicines for the poor of Beverley, paid to the Dispensary</td><td>£.</td><td>s.</td><td>d.</td></tr><tr><td>To the poor widows in Fox's Hospital</td><td>23</td><td>17</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>To the Lying-in Charity in Beverley</td><td>7</td><td>13</td><td>4</td></tr><tr><td>To the poor widows in Warton's Hospital</td><td>9</td><td>3</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>13</td><td>17</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£. 53</td><td>10</td><td>10</td></tr></table>	For Medicines for the poor of Beverley, paid to the Dispensary	£.	s.	d.	To the poor widows in Fox's Hospital	23	17	8	To the Lying-in Charity in Beverley	7	13	4	To the poor widows in Warton's Hospital	9	3	8		13	17	2		£. 53	10	10	-	15th January and 15th July.
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William Wilson, of Beverley, gentleman.	By Will, dated 25th June 1816.	£. 400 laid out in the purchase of 399 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> 3½ per Cents. standing in the names of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Beverley; also the residue of his personal estate, amounting to 1,533 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> laid out in the purchase of 1,529 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 3½ per Cents.	The boys of the Charity School in Beverley	The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses.	Distributed at Christmas.																								
Henry Legard, of Beverley, esq.	By a Codicil to his Will, dated 14th May 1819.	The sum of 10 <i>l.</i> a year for ever	The poor inhabitants of the Bede Houses in Beverley.  As to 100 <i>l.</i> the four poor inhabitants of the Bede Houses in Beverley, and old and poor widows residing in Beverley, as to the remaining 100 <i>l.</i> the sum of 5 <i>s.</i> each.	The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses. The acting committee are the Mayor and four senior Aldermen.	At Christmas.																								
John Foster, of Beverley, gentleman.	By Will, dated 17th Sept. 1813.	£. 100 laid out in the purchase of 90 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 3½ per Cents.		The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses.	At Christmas.																								
Anna Hall, of Beverley, widow.	By Will, dated 17th Feb. 1819.	£. 200 invested in the purchase of 183 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 3½ per Cents.		The Mayor and Aldermen of Beverley.	At Christmas.																								

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Beverley.*

Timothy Lundie - - Ironmonger.  
 William Middleton - Merchant.  
 William Hall - - - Grocer.  
 John Batty Tuke - Banker.  
 Robert Ramsey - - Attorney at Law.  
 Richard Fox - - - Grocer.  
 Robert Rigby - - Clerk.  
 Richard Vyse - - General in the Army.  
 John Lockwood - - Attorney at Law.  
 John Arden - - - Doctor of Physic.  
 Marmaduke Hewitt - Doctor of Physic.  
 John Hall - - - Banker.  
 Frederic Robertson - Captain in the Army.  
 Thomas Clubley - - Major in the Army.

Thomas Duesbery - Attorney at Law.  
 William Beverley - Esquire.  
 Samuel Hall - - - Attorney at Law.  
 Thomas Hull - - - Doctor of Physic.  
 Henry William Maister { Registrar for the  
                                   East Riding.  
 Henry John Shepherd - Attorney at Law.  
 John Williams - - Surgeon.  
 Francis Iveson - - Attorney at Law.  
 John Barker Arden - Wine Merchant.  
 Frederic Campbell - Attorney at Law.  
 Robert Wylie - - - Esquire.  
 Charles Brereton - Surgeon.

11 February 1833.

*Tho. Shepherd,*  
 Town Clerk for the Borough of Beverley.

## BOROUGH OF BEWDLEY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir,

Bewdley, Feb. 15, 1833.

THERE is a property in Bewdley called *The Mill and Meadow*, vested in the Corporation, which brings in annually 26*l.* 15*s.* This sum is distributed amongst the poor, according to the size of their families. The Corporation are also Trustees of the Free Grammar School in Bewdley, the particulars of which the Commissioners of Charities, who have lately been here, obtained.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bewdley.*

Thomas Howard Crane, Tallow Chandler.  
 James Fryer - - - Gentleman.  
 Wilson Aylesbury Roberts, Esquire.  
 George Baker - - - Tanner.  
 The Rev. Joseph Crane Clergyman.  
 Stude Baker - - - Attorney and Banker.  
 John Brookholding - Hop Merchant.

Thomas Cartwright - Gentleman.  
 Thomas Pilkington - - ditto.  
 Thomas White - - - ditto.  
 Thomas Shaw - - - Hide Merchant.  
 John Williams - Surgeon & Apothecary.  
 Thomas Sheward } Linen Merchant.  
 Cartwright - - }

The above aldermen or capital burgesses form the Municipal Corporation of the borough of Bewdley, two of whom are annually elected to the offices of Bailiff and Justice, who are Magistrates of the borough for the year they are chosen.

I am, Sir, &amp;c.

S. M. Phillipps, Esq. &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

*Stude Baker.*

## CORPORATION OF BIDEFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

DESCRIPTION of PROPERTY.	HOW ACQUIRED.	The Purposes for which given.	HOW DISTRIBUTED and APPLIED.
The property belonging to the Corporation of Bideford consists of various houses, cellars and gardens in the town of Bideford, nearly the whole of which is let on leases for lives, paying a small conventional rent; the gross yearly rental amounting to 49 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> , which, after the annual disbursements are allowed, produces the clear income of about 35 <i>l.</i> The Corporation of Bideford hold no property, in their corporate capacity, in trust for any charity.	It appears from the old trust deeds which have from time to time been made, that the property, or the greater part thereof, was originally acquired by gift, under the will of John Andrew, formerly of Bideford, merchant, deceased.	For the use and benefit of the Mayor for the time being, of the borough town and manor of Bideford.	The income of the property, and the fines paid on the renewal of leases, are applied, in the first place, in discharging any expenses incurred by the Mayor for the time being in the execution of his office, and all the surplus money is laid out in public improvements for the benefit of the town, and in subscriptions for the relief of the poor in time of sickness and of severe weather.

25 February 1833.

*Charles Carter, jun.*  
 Town Clerk of Bideford.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bideford*.

Years.	NAMES.	Professions or Trades.	Whether Mayor or Justice.	OBSERVATIONS.
1813	Thomas Burnard	Banker and Merchant	Mayor	The Population of Bideford having considerably increased within the last 20 years, amounting, according to the last Census, to 4,846, it would be very desirable that the power of electing two additional Magistrates annually from the Aldermen should be granted to the Corporation, two Magistrates not being sufficient, and a delay of justice frequently occurring, in case of the illness or occasional absence of one of the Magistrates.
	Stephen Wilcock	Banker	Justice	
1814	John Clyde, jun.	Purser, R. N.	Mayor	
	Thomas Burnard	Banker and Merchant	Justice	
1815	Robert Hamlyn	Banker	Mayor	
	John Clyde, jun.	Purser, R. N.	Justice	
1816	John Chanter	Banker	Mayor	
	Robert Hamlyn	Banker	Justice	
1817	Thomas Burnard	Banker and Merchant	Mayor	
	William Sardrew	Merchant	Justice	
1818	William Sardrew	Merchant	Mayor	
	Charles Carter	Attorney-at-Law	Justice	
1819	Charles Carter	Attorney-at-Law	Mayor	
	Lewis William Buck	Esquire	Justice	
1820	Richard Buck	Captain, R. N.	Mayor	
	Rev. William Walter	Clerk	Justice	
1821	Rev. William Walter	Clerk	Mayor	
	Lewis William Buck	Esquire	Justice	
1822	James Smith Ley	Banker	Mayor	
	Thomas Burnard	Banker and Merchant	Justice	
1823	Thomas Burnard	Banker and Merchant	Mayor	
	Henry Richard Glynn	Rear-admiral, R. N.	Justice	
1824	Henry Richard Glynn	Rear-admiral, R. N.	Mayor	
	Thomas Burnard, jun.	Merchant	Justice	
1825	Richard Buck	Captain, R. N.	Mayor	
	Francis William Pridham	Surgeon	Justice	
1826	Francis William Pridham	Surgeon	Mayor	
	Richard Buck	Captain, R. N.	Justice	
1827	Thomas Burnard	Merchant	Mayor	
	Henry Richard Glynn	Rear-admiral, R. N.	Justice	
1828	William Sardrew	Merchant	Mayor	
	Charles Carter	Attorney-at-Law	Justice	
1829	Charles Carter	Attorney-at-Law	Mayor	
	Richard Buck	Captain, R. N.	Justice	
1830	Richard Buck	Captain, R. N.	Mayor	
	Rev. William Walter	Clerk	Justice	
1831	James Smith Ley	Banker	Mayor	
	Henry Richard Glynn	Rear-admiral, R. N.	Justice	
1832	Henry Richard Glynn	Rear-admiral, R. N.	Mayor	
	William Sardrew	Merchant	Justice	
1833	William Sardrew	Merchant	Mayor	
	Thomas Burnard	Merchant	Justice	

25 February 1833.

Charles Carter, jun. Town Clerk and Clerk of the Peace.

## BOROUGH OF BISHOP'S CASTLE.

CHARITABLE FUNDS - - - - - None.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bishop's Castle*.

YEARS.	NAMES.	Professions or Trades.	Whether Mayor or Justice.	OBSERVATIONS.
1813	John Sayce	Land Surveyor	Bailiff	Each of these gentlemen acts as Magistrate for the Borough of Bishop's Castle annually, during their time of office. Chosen at Michaelmas.
1814	John Wollaston, jun.	Esquire	ditto	
1815	Thomas Medicott	Currier	ditto	
1816	Thomas Beale	Esquire	ditto	
1817	Herbert Oakeley	Clerk	ditto	
1818	John Home	Gentleman	ditto	
1819	John Wollaston	Esquire	ditto	
1820	John Rogers	Clerk	ditto	
1821	Edward Rogers	Esquire	ditto	
1822	Thomas Medicott	Currier	ditto	
1823	Richard Watters	Esquire	ditto	
1824	Thomas Wollaston	Gentleman	ditto	
1825	Samuel Bright	Mercer and Draper	ditto	
1826	Thomas Medicott	Currier	ditto	
1827	John Sayce	Land Surveyor	ditto	
1828	Thomas Medicott	Currier	ditto	
1829	John Wollaston, jun.	Esquire	ditto	
1830	William Oakeley	Esquire	ditto	
1831	Richard Griffiths	Land Agent	ditto	
1832	Samuel Bright	Mercer and Draper	ditto	

15 February 1833.

John Griffiths, Dep<sup>y</sup> Town Clerk.

## BOROUGH OF BODMIN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no Charitable Funds vested in this Corporation. The other property in their possession consists of certain lands within the borough, of which they have been seised time out of mind, supposed originally by a grant from the Crown, though there are no documents but the Charters of Incorporation to show it, nor are there any specific purposes stated, for which they were given; the rents and profits arising from these lands, and the tolls of the fairs and markets held within the borough, which have also been acquired under the authority of the different charters, constitute the revenue of the Corporation, and which together make an income of about 340*l.* per annum.

These are applied to the support of two courts of justice, where the Assizes and Quarter Sessions of the county are held; the repairs of the Church of the parish and town, (there being no church rate); the salaries of the Organist, Clerk and Sexton; the repairs of the streets of the town, the Guildhall, Grammar School, Writing School, Salaries of the Masters, Town Serjeants, Constables and Scavengers; in providing standings and other like materials for the fairs and markets; and 30*l.* per annum allowed for the Mayor's table.

A particular account of every article of expenditure is kept by the Mayor for the time being, and is passed every year by the Corporation.

Bodmin, }  
1 March 1833.

J. R. Bray,  
Dep. Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Bodmin.

THERE are three Magistrates appointed by the Charter for this borough; the Mayor, his predecessor in office, and the Common Clerk or Recorder.

The Corporation consist of 12 Aldermen, 24 Capital Burgesses, and a Common Clerk; in all 37.

The Mayor is elected annually out of the Aldermen, by a majority (19) of the whole Corporation. He acts as a Justice, *ex officio*, and so does his predecessor in office.

The Common Clerk or Recorder, has been generally a person of consequence, and is elected for life by a majority of the Corporation.

The Mayors have been generally elected out of the most respectable inhabitants of the town.

The following is a list of the names and professions of the Aldermen who have served the office of Mayor for the last twenty years:

William Flamank	-	-	-	-	-	Doctor in Divinity.
Nicholas Philipps	-	-	-	-	-	Rector of Lanivet.
William Burrows	-	-	-	-	-	A gentleman of property.
Samuel Spiller	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
John Wallis	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Robert Flamank	-	-	-	-	-	A gentleman of property.
Joseph Hamley	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Thomas Commins	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
John Bennett	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
William Philipps, Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	Rector of Lanivet.
John Wallis, jun., Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	Vicar of Bodmin.
Walter Raleigh Gilbert	-	-	-	-	-	A gentleman of property.

The Marquis of Hertford is the present Common Clerk or Recorder, and was elected in the year 1822.

Bodmin, }  
1 March 1833.

J. R. Bray,  
Dep. Town Clerk.

## BOROUGH AND LIBERTY OF BRADNINCH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1. IN the year 1725, Mr. Andrew Bowden, of Bradninch, by his Will, bequeathed to the Mayor of this borough, the sum of 20*l.*, in trust, to lay out the interest in bread, and distribute the same annually to the poor of Bradninch, on Christmas Eve.

2. In the year 1770, Mr. John Jervis, of Bradninch, by his Will, bequeathed to the Mayor of this borough, the sum of 10*l.*, in trust, to lay out the interest in bread, and distribute the same annually on Christmas Eve, to the poor of Bradninch.

3. In the year 1825, Mr. John Dewdney, of Bradninch, by his Will, gave unto the Mayor and Burgesses of the borough of Bradninch, and their successors, for ever, the sum of 50*l.*, upon trust, that they the said Mayor and Burgesses, and their successors, should yearly lay

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

lay out the interest arising therefrom, in bread, to be distributed by the Mayor and Justice for the time being, unto and amongst the poor inhabitants of Bradninch, on Christmas Eve yearly, for ever.

4. In the year 1829, Mr. John Parsons Were, of Bradninch, by his Will, gave unto the Mayor and Burgesses of the borough of Bradninch, and their successors, for ever, the sum of 50*l.*, upon trust, that they the said Mayor and Burgesses, and their successors, should yearly lay out the interest arising therefrom in bread, to be distributed by the Mayor and Justice for the time being, unto and amongst the poor inhabitants of Bradninch, on Christmas Eve yearly for ever.

*Observation.*—The interest arising from the above four charitable bequests, is laid out in the purchase of bread, and distributed annually on Christmas Eve, by the Mayor and Justice of this borough, among the poor inhabitants of Bradninch, agreeable to the directions of the testators.

## CORPORATION PROPERTY.

THE Mayor and Burgesses of this borough hold in fee, lands situate in Bradninch, which produce an annual rent of 25*l.*

*Observation.*—There is no documentary evidence to prove, whether those lands came into the possession of the Mayor and Burgesses by purchase or devise, but it appears by old expired leases, as well as common report, they have received the produce thereof for many centuries past.

In the year 1828, the Mayor and Burgesses sold by public auction, several cottages, with gardens and orchards belonging thereto, situate within the borough of Bradninch, for the sum of 525*l.*, with which they purchased an estate in fee-simple, which stands vested in Trustees, for the benefit of the Mayor and Burgesses, and their successors, and now produces the annual rent of 20*l.*

*Observation.*—The Corporation were recommended by their surveyor to sell the above premises, on account of the cottages being very old, and in such decayed state, as to require annually a considerable outlay to keep them in repair.

The total income arising from the Corporation Property, as before stated, is 45*l.* per annum, which sum is applied by the Mayor and Burgesses towards the expenses attendant on and incident to the Corporation; and when the annual expenditure is more than the income (which is very commonly the case) the extra expense is borne and paid by the members of the Corporation personally in equal shares and proportions.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bradninch.*

DATE.	NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	MAGISTRATES, by Election.
1812 - -	Thomas Pearse, Esq. - -	Rear-Admiral - -	Mayor.
	William Martyn - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1813 - -	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - -	Mayor.
	Thomas Pearse, Esq. - -	Rear-Admiral - -	Justice.
1814 - -	John Dewdney - -	Paper Manufacturer - -	Mayor.
	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1815 - -	William Drew - -	Gentleman - -	Mayor.
	John Dewdney - -	Paper Manufacturer - -	Justice.
1816 - -	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - -	Mayor.
	William Drew - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1817 - -	William Martyn - -	Gentleman - -	Mayor.
	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1818 - -	John Dewdney - -	Paper Manufacturer - -	Mayor.
	William Martyn - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1819 - -	Henry Bowden - -	Surgeon - -	Mayor.
	John Dewdney - -	Paper Manufacturer - -	Justice.
1820 - -	William Drew - -	Gentleman - -	Mayor.
	Henry Bowden - -	Surgeon - -	Justice.
1821 - -	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - -	Mayor.
	William Drew - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1822 - -	John Dewdney - -	Paper Manufacturer - -	Mayor.
	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - -	Justice.
1823 - -	Henry Sparke Bowden - -	Surgeon - -	Mayor.
	John Dewdney - -	Paper Manufacturer - -	Justice.
1824 - -	Thomas Pearse, Esq. - -	Rear-Admiral - -	Mayor.
	Henry S. Bowden - -	Surgeon - -	Justice.



CORPORATE OFFICERS—*continued.*

DATE.	NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	MAGISTRATES by Election.
1825 - -	Thomas Tanner - -	Clerk - - - -	Mayor.
	Thomas Pearse, Esq. - -	Rear-Admiral - - -	Justice.
1826 - -	George Pearse - -	Solicitor - - - -	Mayor.
	Thomas Tanner - -	Clerk - - - -	Justice.
1827 - -	William Martyn - -	Gentleman - - - -	Mayor.
	George Pearse - -	Solicitor - - - -	Justice.
1828 - -	Henry Bowden - -	Surgeon - - - -	Mayor.
	William Martyn - -	Gentleman - - - -	Justice.
1829 - -	William Drew - -	Gentleman - - - -	Mayor.
	Henry Bowden - -	Surgeon - - - -	Justice.
1830 - -	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - - - -	Mayor.
	William Drew - -	Gentleman - - - -	Justice.
1831 - -	Henry Sparke Bowden - -	Surgeon - - - -	Mayor.
	Daniel Middleton - -	Gentleman - - - -	Justice.
1832 - -	George Pearse - -	Solicitor - - - -	Mayor.
	Henry S. Bowden - -	Surgeon - - - -	Justice.
From 1812 } to 1818 }	Henry Brutton - -	Solicitor - - - -	Recorder.
From 1818 } to 1833 }	Richard John Marker - -	Solicitor - - - -	Recorder.

I, the undersigned Peter Sharland, Town Clerk of the borough and liberty of Bradninch, in the county of Devon, do hereby certify, That the foregoing Returns are correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. As witness my hand this 26th day of February 1833.

P. Sharland.

## BOROUGH OF BRECON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Charity called the Buckland Charity, consisting of two messuages or burgages in the borough of Brecon, on 5th August 1808, leased to Alexander Jones and John Prothero, for the term of 42 years, expiring on 24th December 1849, at the annual reserved rent of 33*l*.

These tenements are, by mesne assignments, now in the possession of Thomas Williams.

In the year 1674, Edmund Jones, then of Buckland, in the county of Brecon, esquire, conveyed the above tenements to trustees for ever; the rents to be applied for the purposes of placing out and settling one or more poor child or children of the borough of Brecon, apprentice or apprentices for seven years, by and with the advice of the Bailiff, Aldermen, and Town Clerk of the said borough, or the major part of them.

Since the date of the above lease (1808), a space of 24 years, 178 poor children have been apprenticed by the Corporation, for the premiums of 4*l*. 10*s*. each, up to Midsummer 1832, when seven poor children were put out.

The present Trustees are—

1. Sir Charles Morgan, of Tredegan, baronet.
2. The Rev. Richard Davies, Archdeacon of Brecon.
3. Hugh Bold, esquire, Recorder of Brecon.
4. James Lewis Knight, esquire, of Lincoln's-Inn, Barrister-at-Law.
5. Charles Morgan Robinson Morgan, of Ruperra, esquire.
6. George Morgan, of Brickendenbury, Herts, esquire.
7. John Church Morrice, of Brecon, esquire.
8. The Rev. Thomas Williams, of the same.
9. John Powell, of the same, esquire.

A RENTAL and ACCOUNT of the RENTS, &c. of the CORPORATION of Brecon, from Michaelmas 1830 to Michaelmas 1831, as rendered by *Thomas Bold*, the Treasurer, to *Charles Morgan*, Esquire, Bailiff or Chief Magistrate, on behalf of the Corporation.

TENANTS.	TENEMENTS.	RENTS, Michaelmas 1831.	REMARKS.
		£. s. d.	
Mr. Thomas Bold -	Houses and Gardens, Postroom	4 4 -	--This Rent is 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> per ann., but 1 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> is always paid at Christmas in each year. See Rent-charges, No. 4.
Sir Charles Morgan, Baronet.	House and Appurtenances by Houddu Bridge - -	3 3 -	
Lancelot Morgan, Esq.	Garden by the Captain's Walks	- 10 6	
	Three Houses in Castle-lane	1 1 6	
John Rice, Gaoler County Gaol.	Field by County Gaol -	- 1 -	
Mrs. Henry Davies -	House and Appurtenances in Horn-lane - - -	- 4 4	
John Lloyd, Esq. -	Parcel of Land by the Green	1 1 -	
Miss Williams, sub- tenants Messrs Jones and Powell.	House in occupation of Jones and Powell; also, House and Appurtenances in possession of Hugh Jones -	6 - -	
Assignees of Peter Hodges, a bankrupt.	A House and large Garden, by the Green - - -	1 1 -	
Mary Prichard, widow	A House and Bakehouse near the Castle Bridge - -	10 - -	
Richard Wathen and David Jones.	The Tolls of the borough and town of Slyvel - -	205 - -	
Benjamin Price - -	For the Butchers' Shambles	53 6 -	
William Price (London)	A piece of Land on which he has built a part of a House, Bailey Glaes - - -	- 3 -	
Walter Watkins -	A small Garden in Bailey Glaes, adjoining his own freehold - - -	- 2 6	
Rev. Thomas Williams	Vacant soil, now the Vine Tavern, and Appurtenances, by Usk Bridge - -	1 - -	
The same - - -	Formerly a vacant soil near River going to the Green on the Llansaes side of the River, on which side several Cottages are erected -	1 - -	
	£.	287 17 10	

The amount of the Income of the foregoing Rental is annually expended in the payment of the interest of sundry sums of money borrowed on the credit of the Tolls, for the purpose of purchasing houses taken down for the widening of Streets, the erecting of Butchers' Shambles, building new Bridges, and other improvements of the town, and in defraying the current necessary expenses of the Corporation. The annual surplus is laid out in additional improvements from time to time.

RENT-CHARGES.

## RENT-CHARGES.

No. 1. A Rent-charge ~~on~~ a messuage or tenement, called Danypark, in the parish of Llandeivalley, in the county of Brecon, of the annual income of - - £.6. 0. 0.

Bequeathed by the Will of Mary Powell, widow, in 1704, to the Bailiff and Common Council of Brecon, in trust, to receive out of the rents the sum of 6*l.* annually; 3*l.* to be applied in settling apprentices two of the poorest children, and the remaining 3*l.* to six poor housekeepers, widows to be preferred.

This rent-charge is annually applied as follows: 3*l.*, one moiety thereof, are distributed equally among six poor widows of the borough of Brecon, and 3*l.*, the other moiety thereof, are annually added to the Buckland Charity, for placing out poor children of the borough of Brecon apprentices to trades.

AN ACCOUNT of RENT-CHARGES distributed among the Poor of the Parishes of Saint John the Evangelist's, Saint Mary's and Saint David's, in the Borough of Brecon, yearly, at Christmas..

No. 2. An annual Rent-charge on a close of land, called Clawddygaer, in the borough of Brecon, in the possession of the Rev. Richard Davies, Archdeacon of Brecon - - - - -	£. s. d.
	3 - -
No. 3. An annual Rent-charge on certain lands, part of the town wall of the said borough, in the possession of Lancelot Morgan, esq. - -	1 10 -
Thomas James gave this charity to the poor. The date is unknown; and whether by Will or Deed cannot be ascertained.	
No. 4. An annual Rent-charge on houses and gardens in the Post-room in the said borough, leased to Thomas Bold, esq. - - - - -	1 1 -
Given by Roger Bowcott in 1675 to the poor, whether by Deed or Will unknown.	
No. 5. An annual Rent-charge on a tenement in Steeple-lane (being the Old Town Reservoir), in the possession of Sir Charles Morgan, bart. -	1 - -
Bequeathed in 1557 by the Will of Howell Thomas.	
No. 6. An annual Rent-charge on a tenement in Lion-street, in the borough of Brecon, in the possession of Anna Maria Hughes, of Tregunter, in the county of Brecon - - - - -	2 - -
Given by Richard Jones to the poor in 1685, whether by Deed or Will unknown.	
No. 7. An annual Rent-charge on a tenement near the Captain's Walk, in the borough of Brecon, in the possession of John Wilkins, esq. -	1 10 -
£.	10 1 -

The above RENT-CHARGES are distributed annually at Christmas, as follows:

To 16 poor persons of the parish of Saint John the Evangelist, at 4 <i>s.</i> each	£. s. d.
To 23 poor persons of the chapelry of Saint Mary's, at 4 <i>s.</i> each - -	3 4 -
To 1 ditto - - - - -	4 12 -
To 10 poor persons of the parish of St. David's, at 4 <i>s.</i> each - - -	- 2 6
To the Town Crier for collecting the Rent-charges - - - - -	2 - -
£.	- 2 6
	10 1 -

As far as respects the appropriation of the annual income of 287*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*, I beg leave further to state more particularly, that there is a debt of 525*l.* which was borrowed on the credit of such income, for the purpose of purchasing houses to be taken down to widen streets, erecting butchers' shambles, and other public improvements; viz.

Of Major David Price - - - - -	£.300	} - £.525.
John Powell, esq. - - - - -	100	
Miss Maund - - - - -	75	
Mr. Philip Vaughan - - - - -	50	

All which said several sums are now due and owing; for the payment of the first of which sums notice has been given, and similar notices may be expected for the payment of the other sums.

The borough is also charged with an annual fee-farm rent to the Crown of 20*l.*, which was reduced to that sum from 120*l.* per annum, by the charter of King Philip and Queen Mary incorporating the borough. This Crown rent became the property of a late Duke of Leeds, who sold the same to an ancestor of Sir Charles Morgan, of Tredegar, baronet, to whom an arrear of about twenty years is now due.

There are also certain chief rents payable to the Bailiff, as lord of the manor of the borough, about 23*l.* per annum, but much in arrear.

Brecknock,  
28 February 1833.

Wal. Churchey,  
Town Clerk of Brecon.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Brecon.*

The Bailiff and two Aldermen are, by charter, magistrates only during their year of office. The Recorder is, by charter, also a magistrate during the continuance of his appointment.

BAILIFFS.	ALDERMEN.
<i>Recorder.</i> —Edward Morgan, esq. Barrister at Law; elected and sworn, 2 October 1787.	
1812: William Williams, esq. - - -	{ Hugh Bold, esq. Barrister at Law.
	{ John Lloyd, esq.
1813: Hugh Bold, esq. - - -	{ Rev. David Williams.
	{ William Williams, esq.
1814: Thomas Bold, esq. - - -	{ Hugh Bold, esq.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ Rev. David Williams.
1815: Lancelot Morgan, esq. - - -	{ Thomas Bold, esq.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ William Williams, esq.
1816: Samuel Church, esq. - - -	{ Lancelot Morgan, esq.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ Hugh Bold, esq.
1817: Thomas Bold, esq. - - -	{ Samuel Church, esq.
	{ William Williams, esq.
1818: William Williams, esq. - - -	{ Thomas Bold, esq.
	{ Hugh Bold, esq.
1819: David Price, esq. - - -	{ William Williams, esq.
(Major in the East India service.)	{ Hugh Bold, esq.
1820: Rev. Charles Griffith - - -	{ David Price, esq.
	{ William Williams, esq.
1821: Rev. Thomas Williams - - -	{ Rev. Charles Griffith.
	{ Rev. Richard Davies (Archdeacon of Brecon.)
<i>Recorder.</i> —James Lewis Knight, esq. King's Counsel; elected and sworn, 10 April 1822.	
1822: John Brown, esq. - - -	{ Rev. Thomas Williams.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ David Price, esq.
1823: William Williams, esq. - - -	{ John Brown, esq.
	{ David Price, esq.
1824: John Powell, esq. - - -	{ William Williams, esq.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ Lancelot Morgan, esq.
1825: Philip Vaughan, esq. - - -	{ John Powell, esq.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ Rev. Thomas Williams.
1826: David Price, esq. - - -	{ Philip Vaughan, esq.
	{ Rev. Charles Griffith.
1827: John Church Morrice, esq. - - -	{ David Price, esq.
(Attorney at Law.)	{ Samuel Church, esq.
1828: Rev. Richard Davies - - -	{ John Church Morrice, esq.
(Archdeacon of Brecon.)	{ John Powell, esq.
<i>Recorder.</i> —Hugh Bold, esq. Barrister at Law; elected and sworn, 29 Sept. 1828.	
1829: Philip Vaughan, esq. - - -	{ Rev. Archdeacon Davies.
	{ William Williams, esq.
1830: Rev. Thomas Williams - - -	{ Philip Vaughan, esq.
	{ Samuel Church, esq.
1831: Thomas Bold, esq. - - -	{ Rev. Thomas Williams.
	{ David Price, esq.
1832: Lancelot Morgan, esq. - - -	{ Thomas Bold, esq.
	{ John Powell, esq.

16 February 1833.

Wal. Churchey,  
Town Clerk of the said Borough of Brecon.

## BOROUGH OF BRIDPORT.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

No. 1.—A TENEMENT and Estate, consisting of eight acres and a half (more or less,) of arable, meadow and pasture land, situate in the tithing of Stoke Atram, within the parish of Symondsbury, in the said county of Dorset, called, "Broad Oak," now in the occupation of John Elliott, as tenant thereof, at the yearly rent of five pounds, payable half-yearly. The following is an Abstract of the original Trust Deed relating to this Tenement :

INDENTURE made between William Crocker, gentleman, of the one part; and John Pitt and Thomas Bagg, gentlemen, Bailiffs of the Borough of Bridport, Walter Hallett, Robert Miller, Stephen Moore, Stephen Colefox, Richard Payne, William Way, Thomas Lacke, Nicholas Hardy, William Whettam, Christopher Balston, John Bishop, Angel Churchill and Walter Baylie, Burgesses of the same Borough, of the other part; the said William Crocker, in consideration of eighty pounds to him in hand paid, did grant, enfeoff and convey all those Three Closes of Pasture Ground, called "Broad Oak," situate in the parish of Symondsborough, in the county of Dorset, containing by estimation seven acres, (more or less) and abutting on the north side to the King's highway there, that leadeth from Broad Oak to Atram Bridge, and on the south-west side to the lands of the Right honourable the Earl of Hereford, then in the tenure of one John Collent, yeoman; and on the east side to the land of John Arundel, Esquire, in the tenure of one Walter Crabb; and together also with one other Close of Arable Land, called "Broad Oak," lying on the north side of the said King's highway there, containing by estimation one acre and a half, (more or less,) bounded on the north and west sides with the town-lands of Bridport aforesaid, on the south side with the said highway, and on the east part with the land of Edward Larcombe, yeoman; and all and singular feedings, commons, &c.: To hold unto and to the use of the said John Pitt, Thomas Bagg, Walter Hallett, Robert Miller, Stephen Moore, Stephen Colefox, Richard Payne, William Way, Thomas Lacke, Nicholas Hardy, William Whettam, Christopher Balston, John Bishop, Angel Churchill and Walter Bayly, their heirs and assigns for ever: In trust nevertheless, for the behoof and maintenance of the School of Bridport aforesaid, and of a schoolmaster which shall teach scholars there; and also of the poor people of the same Borough; namely, three parts of the profits of the premises in four parts to be divided, shall go and be employed by the direction of the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the said Borough for the time being, or by the more part of them, to and for the maintenance of a schoolmaster, to be named and appointed by the said Bailiffs and Burgesses for the time being for ever, or by the more part of them, which shall teach scholars within the said Borough; and the other fourth part of the profits of the same premises shall go and be employed to and for the benefit and maintenance of the poor people of the said Borough of Bridport for ever, by the like direction and appointment of the said Bailiffs and Burgesses, and their successors, or the greater number of them. Usual covenants, and livery and seisin indorsed.

The funds arising from the rent of this estate have been, and still are, annually applied, partly to the payment of a schoolmaster of Bridport, for instructing poor boys, and partly to the benefit and maintenance of poor people of the Borough, in compliance with the trusts expressed in the abstracted Deed.

No. 2.—A Tenement and Estate, consisting of fourteen acres (more or less,) of arable, meadow and pasture land, situate in the tithing of Stoke Atram, within the parish of Symondsbury, in the said county of Dorset, called "Broad Oak," now in the occupation of John Elliott, as tenant thereof, at the yearly rent of 10 l. payable half-yearly. The following is an Abstract of the original Trust Deed relating to this Tenement.

2d February, 8 Charles I.

INDENTURE of this date, made between John Crocker of Wildstoke, yeoman, of the first part; and Stephen Colefox, William Way, William Whettam, Thomas Bagg, John Bishopp, Nicholas Sampson, Thomas Bishopp and Richard Golding, of Bridport, of the other part; reciting, that divers sums of money were heretofore given, to be employed for the relief, maintenance and setting on work of the poor artificers and other poor people of the Town of Bridport aforesaid, to have continuance for ever, namely, by John Churchill, gentleman, sixty pounds; by Henry Hody, esquire, fifty pounds; and by Walter Fear, gentleman, forty-four pounds; of which said sum of fifty pounds, given by Mr. Hody, there was twenty pounds bestowed in lands to the use aforesaid, lying near Broad Oak; Therefore for the better employment of the said monies, residue, for the benefit and behoof of the said poor of Bridport from time to time for ever, in performance of the intent of the parties who gave the said several sums of money to that end; and for the manifestation thereof, they the said Stephen Colfox, William Way, &c. had with the said

monies, together with the consent and good liking of Bruyn Williams and Maximilian Moore, esquires, parties entrusted with the said money given by Mr. Churchill as aforesaid, purchased the lands thereafter mentioned, to and for the uses aforesaid: It is therefore witnessed, that the said John Crocker, in consideration of one hundred and twenty-seven pounds to him in hand paid, &c. did grant, enfeoff and convey unto the said Stephen Colfox, William Way, &c. All those Three Closes of Land, Meadow and Pasture, containing by estimation fourteen acres, called or known by the name or names of "Broad Oak," situate in the parish of Symonds-bury, then in the tenure of John Cozens, and all ways, &c.: To hold unto the said Stephen Colfox, William Way, William Whettam, Thomas Bagg, John Bishopp, Nicholas Sampson, Thomas Bishopp and Richard Golding, their heirs and assigns for ever; and it was thereby agreed, that the said Stephen Colfox and William Way, and all other the feoffees and their heirs, should stand and be seised of one-third part purporthy or porcion thereof, in three parts, to be divided for the raising and maintaining of a stock of money, to set on work the poor artificers inhabiting within the said Town or Borough of Bridport from time to time, and at all times thereafter for ever; And that the said feoffees, their heirs and assigns should stand seised of two parts, residue of the premises, to and for the relief and maintenance of other people, inhabiting within the said Borough of Bridport from time to time, and at all times for ever thereafter: In which said Indenture it is agreed, that when six of the feoffees should be dead, then the two surviving feoffees and their heirs should and would grant, bargain, sell, enfeoff and convey the premises unto eight of the capital Burgesses of the said Borough, and to their heirs for ever: To the uses aforesaid; and so over, when six of those new feoffees should be dead, then the survivors to grant over as aforesaid, and so successively for ever.

The Land-tax of No. 1. and 2., amounting to 19s. 4d. has been redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport.

The funds arising from the rent of this tenement and estate have been, and still are annually applied for the relief and benefit of indigent persons resident within the Borough, in compliance with the trusts expressed in the last abstracted Deed.

No. 3.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the spinning-ways, garden and appurtenances, situate on the west side of the South-street in Bridport aforesaid, formerly in the possession of Andrew Crabb, then of the Widow Crabb, and now of Benjamin Gale, as tenant thereof, at the yearly rent of 20*l.* payable quarterly.

These premises are held by the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses in Bridport aforesaid.

No. 4.—Part of a spinning way, with the spinning-house at the end of the same, (formerly belonging to the last-mentioned premises,) now in the occupation of Samuel Stickland, at the yearly rent of 10*s.*

These premises are held by the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses in Bridport aforesaid.

No. 5.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances thereto belonging, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport aforesaid, late in the possession of Daniel Gundry, now of William Tucker, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life, aged 67 years; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses in Bridport aforesaid. Lord's rent, 1*l.* 16*s.*

No. 6.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances thereto belonging, situate on the west side of the South-street, in Bridport aforesaid, formerly in the possession of William Bearn, now of Richard Galpin, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, aged respectively 64, 34 and 32 years, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the old (or southernmost almshouse) in Bridport aforesaid. Lord's rent, 2*l.*

No. 7.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, called "The Higher Almshouse," vested in the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses in Bridport aforesaid, which now forms part of the poor-house of Bridport; and is let by the bailiffs and burgesses of the same Borough to the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of Bridport, at the clear yearly rent of 12*l.* payable half-yearly.

*Note.*—In the year One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, it was judged expedient to establish a parish workhouse in Bridport, and the Higher Almshouse, and a parish almshouse adjoining it, being considered, if thrown together, convenient for the purpose; and the poor people, the objects of the charity, who were then in the Higher Almshouse, being in a state worse than the parish poor, (most of them being old persons, whose earnings produced them but little or nothing, and the rents being very inadequate, with their earnings, to their support, the bailiffs and burgesses were induced to consent to the Higher Almshouse being appointed to the purpose of a parish workhouse;) and it was agreed between them and the then overseers of the poor, that the persons in the Higher Almshouse at that time should be admitted into the workhouse, and be provided with necessaries by the parish. After the parish had taken possession of the Higher Almshouse for the above purpose, the rents, which were before appropriated to the poor therein, were paid by the bailiffs

bailiffs and burgesses for several years to the overseers of the poor, till the bailiffs and burgesses were advised to discontinue the payment; after which time, the rents and fines have accumulated, (see No. 11.): and the Higher Almshouse was (with the consent of the major part of the inhabitants of the Borough of Bridport, at a public meeting for the purpose, assembled upon usual notice first given,) let by the bailiffs and burgesses to the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of Bridport, at the yearly rent of twelve pounds, payable half-yearly, and the number of inmates in the Lower Almshouse was increased.

No. 8.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances thereto belonging, situate on the west side of the South-street in Bridport aforesaid, (being part of No. 3) now occupied gratuitously by several indigent and aged females, recipients of the Almshouses Charity, as mentioned in a subsequent note.

No. 9.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances thereto belonging, situate on the west side of the South-street in Bridport aforesaid, formerly in the possession of John Margery, now of James Templer, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, aged respectively 63 and 62 years, the reversion in fee of which belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of the borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses. Lord's rent, 1*l.* & 6*d.*

No. 10.—A Plot of Ground, situate at the south end of South-street in Bridport aforesaid, late in the occupation of Samuel Gundry, now of James Hodder, George Darby, and others, who hold the same for a term of 99 years, at the clear yearly rent of 8*l.*, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of the borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses in Bridport aforesaid.

No. 11.—A Rent-charge of 10*s.*, issuing out of a tenement in the possession of Miss Bools, situate on the north side of East-street in Bridport, vested in the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, by deed of Thomas Jessop, esquire, dated 1 James, as trustees of the old or southernmost almshouse in Bridport aforesaid.

No. 12.—A Messuage or Dwelling-house, and Piece of Land lying at a place called the Lower Ropeways, in Bridport aforesaid, containing in breadth 16 feet, and in length 45 feet, on the west side of the lane leading through the said Ropeways, late in the possession of Joseph Gundry, deceased, now of Joseph Gundry, his son, who holds the same for several terms of 99 years, each determinable on three lives, aged respectively 49, 21 and 11 years; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses, in Bridport aforesaid. Lord's rent, 2*s.*

No. 13.—The sum of 499*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* stock in the Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, now standing in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the names of Nathaniel Downe, Joseph Gundry, junior, and William Hounzell, members of the Corporation of the Borough of Bridport, as trustees of the Higher and Lower Almshouses of Bridport aforesaid. The above sum arose from an accumulation of rents and fines of the lands belonging to the Higher Almshouse.

The funds arising from the rents and renewals of leases of the before-mentioned premises, and rent-charge and dividends of the Three per Cent. stock, and numbered respectively 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, are regularly applied to the support and maintenance of four aged and indigent widows resident in the house and premises numbered 8.

*Note.*—No original grant of the before-mentioned premises, or either of them, to the bailiffs and burgesses of the Borough of Bridport can be found; but the said bailiffs and burgesses have, as trustees of the lands belonging to the Higher and Lower Almshouses, granted leases of the said premises for years absolute, or years determinable on lives. Counterparts of such leases are in their custody, some of them granted upwards of 258 years since.

No. 14.—A House, called a Malthouse and Brewhouse, with land thereto adjoining, on the north side of West-street, in Bridport, late in the occupation of Messrs. Matthew and George Knight, now of the said George Knight, at the clear yearly rent of 15*l.* payable yearly.

No. 15.—A Plot of Ground near the same malthouse and brewhouse, and called part of the malthouse and brewhouse lands, now in the occupation of Joseph Gundry, at the yearly rent of 2*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*

The following is an abstract of the original trust deed relating to the above-mentioned property, called the brewhouse and malthouse lands.

1 September, 1650.

INDENTURE Tripartite, made between Thomas Bartlett, of Lytton, in the county of Dorset, yeoman, and Francis Bartlett, son and heir apparent of the said Thomas Bartlett, of the first part; and Henry Henley, of Colwell, Robert Napper, of Puncknoll, Thomas Gollop the elder, of Strode, John Whytway, of Dorchester, in the county of Dorset, esquires, and John Bushrode, of Dorchester aforesaid, gentleman, of the second party; and the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Borough of Bridport, of the third party: It is witnessed, That the said Thomas Bartlett and Francis Bartlett, in consideration of One hundred and eighty pounds to them, by the said

said bailiffs and burgesses well and truly at the ensealing thereof contented and paid, Did give, grant, enfeof and convey all those their two messuages, with the curtilage, backside and garden thereunto belonging or appertaining, with the appurtenances, the one of which messuages was commonly called or known by the name of the Malthouse, and the other by the name of the Brewhouse, and situate in Bridport aforesaid, on the north side of a street there, commonly called the West-street, near adjoining to the river; and then in the tenure of the said Thomas Bartlett and Francis Bartlett, or their assigns, and then late of Richard Payne; Together with all and all manner of houses, cellars, &c.: Moreover the said Thomas Bartlett and Francis Bartlett, for the considerations aforesaid, Did give, grant, bargain and sell the vessels belonging to the said Brewhouse and Malthouse, and all other their implements in the said houses theretofore used, and particularly mentioned in a schedule thereunto annexed; To hold the said two messuages, with their appurtenances, unto the said Henry Henley, Robert Napper, Thomas Gollop, John Whitway, and John Bushrode, their heirs and assigns for ever: To be holden of the chief lord or lords of the fee thereof, by the rents and services therefor due and accustomed; And to hold the said goods, vessels and other the implements aforesaid, unto the said Henry Henley, Robert Napper, &c., their executors and assigns for ever: In which said Indenture there is a clause to the effect following: viz. Nevertheless, forasmuch as the said two messuages and goods therein above mentioned had been purchased and procured unto the said feoffees with money given (for that purpose) to the Corporation of the Borough of Bridport; To the end therefore the rents and benefits of the said messuages and premises arising might, by the said Bailiffs and Burgesses, (with the consent of the churchwardens of the said Borough) be employed for the perpetual relief of such of the poor and needy people thereafter mentioned, that then were and from time to time thereafter should be resident and dwelling within the said borough: It was therefore covenanted, concluded and agreed upon, by and between all parties thereto, and the said Henry Henley, Robert Napper, &c. did each of them covenant for himself, his heirs and assigns, to and with the said Bailiffs and Burgesses, and their successors, That they the said Bailiffs and Burgesses, their successors and assigns, should or lawfully might from time to time and at all times for ever then after, quietly and peaceably receive, perceive and take the rents, issues and profits of the said messuages, and other the premises; they the said Bailiffs and Burgesses, and their successors, with the consent of the churchwardens of the said Borough, faithfully endeavouring to employ and bestow some considerable part (such as in their discretion they should think meet) of the rents and revenues that should yearly renew or grow of the premises, in the binding or putting forth of poor children inhabiting in Bridport aforesaid, apprentices unto artificers or tradesmen, that they might be piously educated, and might also, in their calling, be made fit to serve the commonwealth: And they, the said Bailiffs, with like consent of the said churchwardens, employing some other part of the same revenue in the comforting of such poor housekeepers within the said Borough, whom they should think the fittest objects of their charity, with the gift of some parcels of monies, as in their discretion they should think fit, to buy them materials in their professions to labour upon: And they the said Bailiffs deducting and allowing unto themselves, out of the residue of the rents, issues and profits aforesaid, for all other expenses, costs, rates and charges, by them to be bestowed, defrayed or laid out, in building, reparations, law-suits, or any other reasonable ways for and in respect of the premises: And the said Bailiffs and Burgesses, for them and their successors, Did thereby covenant, promise and grant, to and with the said Henry Henley, Robert Napper, &c. their heirs, executors and assigns, faithfully to employ the rents issues and profits of the messuages and premises, according to the trusts and limitations therein above mentioned, and also yearly in the Easter week, to declare a just account of their receipts and disbursements concerning the premises, before the Rector or Curate of the parish church of Bridport for the time being, and the Burgesses of the Corporation.

Livery and Seisin indorsed.

The Funds arising from the rent of this property are annually apportioned to poor and needy persons resident within the Borough, and the binding out apprentices, at a meeting of the Corporation and the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish; which Parish was co-extensive with the Borough before the passing of the Reform and Boundaries Acts in 1832.

The following Messuages or Dwelling-houses, Lands and Funds are vested in the Bailiffs and Burgesses of Bridport, who have at all times granted leases of them for terms of years, absolute terms of years determinable on lives, and at rack rent. The original grants to the Corporation not being found, it cannot be stated in what manner the properties were acquired, or the purposes for which the same were originally given or granted; but it has always been understood that they are vested in the corporation for the purpose of supporting its dignity and credit as a Municipal Body, and not for charitable purposes. The leases are of very ancient date.

Several Messuages or Dwelling-houses and Land, called Downe's Street, situate on the north side of the East-street, in Bridport, now in the tenure of Josiah Vowler Selwood, Giles Lawrence Roberts, Thomas Margrie, Amelia Tomlyns, Mary Battiscombe, Eliza Battiscombe Sprake, John Swain and Richard Swain, who hold the same for the remainder

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of a term of 99 years absolute, (which commenced on the 23d day of July 1792,) the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent of the several houses, 3*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 3*l.* & 6*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the north side of East-street, Bridport, now in the possession of William Hounsell and Thomas Collins Hounsell, who hold the same for two terms of 99 years, each determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 8*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation, 19*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house with the appurtenances, situate on the north side of East-street, in Bridport, late Damon's, in the possession of Richard Bennett, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 5*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 9*s.* 6*d.*

The site of a Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the north side of East-street, Bridport, now in the possession of Henry Warburton, esq., who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 12*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 1*l.* 6*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the north side of East-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of Simon Davie Robinson, Doctor of Medicine, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 1*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*

A Messuage or Dwelling-house, formerly a barn and quillet of land, situate on the west side of Irish Lane, in Bridport, late in the possession of Holles Bull Way, now of Samuel Gollop, who holds the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives. Lord's rent, 2*s.*

A Stable and Premises, with the appurtenances, situate on the west side of Stake Lane, otherwise Barrack-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of the Rev. John Saltren, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of the borough of Bridport. Lord's rent, 2*s.* 8*d.*

Two Messuages or Dwelling-houses, with garden plots to the same belonging, situate on the east side of Stake Lane, otherwise Barrack-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of William and Thomas Collins Hounsell, who hold the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 2*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 6*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the east side of Stake Lane, or Barrack-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of George Balston, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport aforesaid. Lord's rent, 4*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 3*s.* 6*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the north side of East-street, Bridport, now in the possession of John Brown, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 10*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 9*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the north side of East-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of John Hounsell, Surgeon, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 3*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 19*s.* 6*d.*

One other Messuage or Burgage, and garden, with the appurtenances, situate on the south side of East-street, in the Borough of Bridport, (late Amos Saunders's,) now in the possession of James Templer, who holds the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 12*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 8*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the south side of the East-street, in Bridport, (late Richard Jeffery's,) now in the possession of Samuel Gundry, or his tenants, and held by him for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 6*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 4*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the south side of East-street, Bridport, (late Joseph Gundry's,) now in the possession of Mary Jeffery, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 6*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 4*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the south side of East-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of Samuel Fawcett Golding, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport aforesaid. Lord's rent, 1*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the appurtenances, situate on the south side of East-street, in Bridport, now in the possession of Samuel Fawcett Golding, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, (including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport,) 2*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the east side of South-street of Bridport, (late Robert Pike's,) now in the possession of William Pike, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 9*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the east side of South-street in Bridport, now in the possession of Mary Balson, widow of Thomas Balson, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 8*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, and garden, situate on the east side of South-street in Bridport, (late Thorn's,) now in the possession of John Rendall, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 10*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the east side of South-street in Bridport, (late Forster's,) late in the possession of Samuel Bowden Gundry and Caroline his wife, and Edwin Proctor Deniss and Mariana his wife, now of James Templer, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 17*s.* 2*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the east side of the South-street in Bridport, (late Bonner's,) now in the possession of John Perham, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 7*s.* 6*d.*

Two Messuages or Dwelling-houses, with the appurtenances, situate on the east side of the South-street in Bridport, formerly in the possession of Joseph Gundry, since of Joseph Richards, then of Grace Richards, widow, (afterwards Smith,) now of Joseph Richards the son, or his assigns, who hold the same for two several terms of 99 years, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 7*s.*

Two Messuages or Dwelling-houses, with the appurtenances, situate on the east side of South-street in Bridport, formerly in the possession of Joseph Gundry, since of Joseph Richards, then of Grace Richards, widow, (afterwards Smith,) now of Charles Richards, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 7*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house and garden, situate on the east side of the South-street in Bridport, late in the possession of William Pugsley Gummer, now of James Templer and the representatives of Matthew Knight, deceased, who hold the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 9*s.*

One Dwelling-house and Two Plots of Ground, with the garden and appurtenances, situate at the south end of the west side of South-street in Bridport, late in the possession of Ann Chilcott, widow, now of Joseph and Frederick Galpin, who hold the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years, determinable on one or two life or lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 8*s.* Land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 12*s.* 6*d.*

One Dwelling-house and Garden, with the appurtenances, situate near the south end of the west side of the South-street, Bridport, late in the possession of John Goddard, now of John Perham, who holds the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years absolute, which commenced on the 12th day of May 1748; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 13*s.* 4*d.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 4*s.* 6*d.*

The Site of a Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the west side of the South-street in Bridport, now in the possession of James Templer, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 8*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 7*s.* 6*d.*

One Dwelling-house, with the outhouses, curtilage and garden, situate on the west side of the South-street in Bridport, late in the possession of Andrew Crabb, now of Robert Hansford, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives; the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 11*s.* 6*d.*

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One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden, situate on the west side of the South-street in Bridport, late Lock's, now in the possession of Robert Northover, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 16*s.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 5*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the west side of South-street in Bridport, late Hart's, now in the possession of John Patten, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 2*l.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the curtilage and appurtenances, situate on the south side of West-street in Bridport, now in the possession of Ann Carter, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 13*s.* 4*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the curtilage and garden, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport, late in the possession of Thomas Bonner, deceased, now of Dorothy Bonner, his widow, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 1*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*

A Passage on the south side of West-street, in length 19 feet, and in breadth 6 feet and 3 inches, leading from premises of Ann Carter, to premises on part of which formerly stood Thomas Perham's slaughter-house, let to Ann Carter at 2*s.* 6*d.* per annum.

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the curtilage and appurtenances, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport, now in the possession of John Bishop Hallett, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 17*s.*

A Toft and Lands, whereon a messuage or burgage lately stood, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport aforesaid, now belonging to Samuel Edwards, who holds the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years, determinable on one life, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 1*s.* 10*d.* Land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 4*s.*

These premises are in the possession of the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport, and are let to Joseph Gully, at the yearly rent of 1*l.* 1*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, and garden, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport, (part of late Edwards's) now in the possession of Stephen Hussey, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 6*s.* 10*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport, (late Pitcher's) now in the possession of John Fowler, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 5*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the south side of the West-street in Bridport, late B. Sandford's, now in the possession of James Templer, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 12*s.* 9*d.*

A Piece of Land, containing in length, from east to west, 86 feet, and in breadth, from north to south, 102 feet, with the building thereon, being part of a piece of hemp-land, containing, by estimation, one acre, situate on the west side of Saint Michael's-lane in Bridport, now in the possession of Henry Gifford, and held by him for a term of 500 years absolute, which commenced from the death of Daniel Gundry, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 6*d.*

The Remainder of the said Piece of Hempland, with the spinning-loft and buildings thereon, situate on the west side of Saint Michael's-lane in Bridport, now in the possession of Joseph Gundry, and held by him for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 1*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the outhouses, garden and appurtenances, situate on the north side of the West-street in Bridport, late George Tucker's, now in the possession of Henry Denziloe, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 1*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the curtilage and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on the south side of the East-street in Bridport (late John Fowler's), now in the possession of James Templer, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax, redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 16*s.*

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the curtilage and appurtenances, situate on the south side of East-street in Bridport (late Hodges's, now in the possession of Samuel Cary, or his assignee, William Restarick, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on one life,) the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, including land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 16s.

All those Spinningways and Land, containing by admeasurement 1 A. & 14 P., (heretofore called Killingham, and lying within a close called Knott's Close, within the borough of Bridport, at the west end of the said close,) now in the occupation of Joseph Hounsell, as tenant thereof, at the yearly rent of 9l. The land-tax of 8s. 6d. charged thereon redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport.

The Parcel of Land, late Hardy's, within the borough of Bridport aforesaid, being part of the site whereon the market-house of the said borough of Bridport, belonging to the said bailiffs and burgesses, now stands, and charged with land-tax to the amount of 1l. 8s.

Also the chief part of a Messuage or Dwelling-house, and Stables, with the appurtenances, called the Greyhound Inn, situate on the south side of East-street, in the borough of Bridport, now in the possession of Thomas Tucker, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 15l., payable half-yearly, on the 3d of January and the 3d of July.

The Tolls and Profits of the Markets and Fairs of the borough of Bridport aforesaid, the land-tax of 4l. 3s. thereon redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport.

The Head-rents reserved by leases granted by the said bailiffs and burgesses, of their lands within the borough of Bridport aforesaid, in consideration of fines. The land-tax of 5l. 1s. thereon redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport.

The Tenement, consisting of 21 A. of Land, meadow and pasture, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, called Nossiter's, situate at Broad Oak, in the tithing of Stoke Atram, in the said county of Dorset, now in the occupation of John Elliott, at the yearly rent of 20l. payable half-yearly.

One Messuage or Dwelling-house, with the garden and appurtenances, situate on the south side of the East-street in Bridport, now in the possession of John Ewens, who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 11s. Land-tax redeemed by the Corporation of Bridport, 16s.

A Piece of Ground (part of a plot called Morterhay, situate on the east side of the South-street in Bridport, at or near a place called Bull-alley) thrown into and being the eastern part of the spinning-ways of the late Seth Seymour, as divided from the western part of the said spinning-ways by bound-stones placed against the north side of the wall, erected by the said Seth Seymour on the north, and in the hedge of the spinning-way, formerly Elizabeth Eaton's, on the south, and containing in length, from west to east, 73 feet 6 inches, or thereabouts, including the wall on the east; and in breadth, from north to south, including the said wall, 35 feet 6 inches, or thereabouts; which said piece of ground was late in the possession of the said Seth Seymour, now of \_\_\_\_\_ who holds the same for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 1d.

A Piece of Land, containing by admeasurement 12 P. (being the northern plot of the said plot called Morterhay) situate on the east side of South-street in Bridport, at or near a place called Bull-alley, now in the possession of Robert Thomas, who holds the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, the reversion in fee whereof belongs to the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport. Lord's rent, 3s.

A Roadway, containing by admeasurement 3 P. (being part of Morterhay, situate on the east side of South-street in Bridport, near the Bull-alley) now in the occupation of John Golding.

A Piece of Land, formerly lying behind a dwelling-house of one Richard Gibbs, in a lane called Saint Michael's-lane, in Bridport, now behind the dwelling-house late of Matthew Knight, now of George Knight, on part whereof the said Matthew Knight erected various offices, which said piece of land contains in length, from north to south, 90 feet, and in breadth, at the north end, 16 feet, and at the south end, 12 feet, and was late in the possession of the said Matthew Knight, deceased, now of the said George Knight, who holds the same for the remainder of a term of 99 years, determinable on two lives. Lord's rent, 4d.

A Close of Meadow Land, containing by admeasurement 3 A. 1 R. 20 P., called "Bridge-house Westernmost Meadow," together with three several messuages or dwelling-houses, cottage, and brewhouse or tan-house, standing and being thereon, situate in the parish of Walditch, in the said county of Dorset, now in the possession of Messrs. Peter Kenway, John Seymour Kenway and William Kenway, and their assigns or tenants, and held by them for a term of 99 years absolute, which commenced on the 21st day of September, 1830, at the yearly rent of 12l. 12s.

A Close of Meadow Land, containing by admeasurement 1 A. 3 R. 13 P., called "Bridge-house Easternmost Meadow," with the bucking-house and tan-house thereon, situate in the parish

parish of Walditch, Dorset, now in the occupation of William and Thomas Collins Hounsell, as tenants, at the yearly rent of 12 *l*.

A Close of Meadow Land, containing by admeasurement 1 A. 1 R. 34 P., called "Reynold's Mead," with the coach-house standing thereon, situate in the parish of Walditch, Dorset, now in the occupation of Miss Sarah Bools, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 6 *l*.

A Messuage or Dwelling-house, Curtilage and Garden, with the appurtenances, containing by admeasurement 1 R. 9 P.; and a Close of Meadow Land behind the same, containing by admeasurement, 1 A. & 34 P., with the cottages now being thereon, situate in the parish of Walditch, Dorset, now in the possession of Mr. William Battiscombe, who holds the same for two several terms of 99 years each, determinable on three lives. Lord's rent, 10 *l*. 19s. 3 *d*.

A Close of Pasture Land, containing by admeasurement three acres and six perches; and a piece of coppice, containing by admeasurement 22 perches together, called "Groves," situate in the parish of Shipton Gorge, Dorset, now in the occupation of Samuel Conway, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 6 *l*.

Several Closes of Land, situate at Bonscombe and Walditch, Lower Field in Walditch and Shipton Gorge, containing by admeasurement 20 A. 1 R. 36 P., now in the occupation of Benjamin Akerman, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 45 *l*.

The sum of 595 *l*. 4s. 9 *d*. Three per cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, now standing in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the names of Thomas Ewens, Shering Keddle and William Hounsell, Esquires, members of the Corporation of Bridport. This sum arises from accumulations of fines, rents, &c. of the aforesaid lands, vested in the bailiffs and burgesses, not for charitable purposes.

A small floating balance in the banker's hands, in account with them and the cofferer of the Corporation of Bridport.

The funds arising annually from the rents, and the fines on renewals of the Messuages, Lands and Premises before described, as vested in the bailiffs and burgesses of Bridport, but not for charitable purposes, have been, and are from time to time applied towards subscriptions for public purposes for the benefit of the town and neighbourhood, in the repairs of a market-house, in payment of the recorder's fee, the town clerk's salary, fee-farm rents, poor's rates, church rates, highway rates and other expenses necessarily incidental to a Municipal Corporation.

The tolls on fairs and markets are (subject to the payment of the Serjeants at Mace, their clothing and other payments,) received by the bailiffs for the time being, as a remuneration for their time and trouble in executing the office.

*Edwin Nicholetts, Town Clerk.*

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Bridport.

No.	NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.	REMARKS.
1	Griffith Lloyd - -	Esquire.	
2	Nathaniel Downe - -	Surgeon.	
3	Joseph Gundry - - -	Banker.	
4	Samuel Gundry - - -	Banker.	
5	Joseph Gundry Downe -	Merchant.	
6	Joseph Gundry, jun. -	Merchant.	
7	William Hounsell - -	Merchant.	
8	Thos. Collins Hounsell -	Merchant.	
9	Samuel Bowden Gundry	Merchant.	
10	Edwin Nicholetts - -	Solicitor.	
11	Alfred Nicholetts - -	Esquire.	
12	Joseph Ewens - - -	Merchant.	
13	Thomas Ewens - - -	Merchant.	
14	Samuel Fawcett Golding	Solicitor.	
15	John Hounsell - - -	Surgeon.	
16	Walter Eustace Gundry	Banker.	
17	Shering Keddle - - -	Solicitor.	
18	John Disney, Recorder	Esq. and Barrister at Law.	
19	Charles Frederick Williams, Recorder.	Esq. and Barrister at Law.	

*Note.*—David Jardine, Esq. Barrister at Law, has been elected Recorder, and the Election has been approved by His Majesty, but he has not yet been sworn into the Office, and consequently has not yet acted as a Justice of the Peace.

*Edwin Nicholetts,*

*Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF BRIDGNORTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITABLE FUNDS, and other Property.	HOW ACQUIRED.	PURPOSES for which given.	HOW APPLIED.
£. 156. 3. 3. 3 per cent. Consols. £. 100. 3 per cent.	Bequeathed by Will -	For the benefit of the Almshouse Cha- rity in Bridgnorth.	Applied in payments to 12 old women, the objects of the charity, who reside in the Almshouses.
Land and Houses -	From time imme- morial chargeable to the Almshouse Cha- rity in part, and in other part devised by Will.	For the benefit of the Almshouse Cha- rity.	Applied annually in payments to the objects of the said charity. Rent about £. 123. 5. 3.
Rent charge, 13 s. - Rent charge, 13 s.	Created by Will -	For the benefit of the Almshouse Cha- rity.	Paid annually to the objects of the charity.
£. 124. 9. 1. 3 per cent. Consols.	Purchased with 100 l. bequeathed by Will.	For the benefit of the Grammar School in Bridgnorth.	Income paid annually to the head master of the said School.
About 20 acres of Land in Bridgnorth.	Devised by Will -	For the benefit of the Ministers of the parishes of Saint Leo- nard and Saint Mary Magdalene in Bridg- north.	Paid half yearly to the two Ministers of the said parishes, in equal shares. Rent about £. 100.
£. 40 invested in 3 per cent. Consols.	Bequeathed by Will -	For the parishes of Saint Leonard and Saint Mary Magda- lene.	Income paid yearly to the Churchwardens of Saint Leonard and Saint Mary Magdalene, in equal moieties.
£. 100 sterling - -	Bequeathed by Will -	To the parishes of Saint Leonard and Saint Mary Magda- lene.	Income paid in equal moieties to the Overseers of Saint Leonard and Saint Mary Magdalene.
£. 202. 2. 8. 3 per cent. Consols. £. 46. 0. 9. 3 per cent. Consols.	Value of tenements mentioned in the Bridgnorth Bridge Act, 37 Geo. 3, and taken down for improve- ments.	Made chargeable to the repairs of the Bridge by the said Act.	Income paid yearly to the Treasurer of the Com- missioners of the said Bridge under the said Act.
Lands and Houses chargeable to the said Bridge.	From time imme- morial chargeable to the said Bridge.	- - - -	Paid yearly to the Treas- urer of the said Com- missioners. Rent about £. 18. 2. 9.
CORPORATION EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY.			
3 per cent. Consols -	The produce of old Houses and Lands, sold and invested in the names of the Bai- liffs and Burgesses.	The Houses and Land so sold enjoyed for time immemorial by the Corporation.	The income applied as after mentioned, about £. 263. 16. 6.
£. 400 in security of the Bridge Tolls.	- - ditto - -	- - ditto - -	Income applied as be- fore mentioned.
Land and Houses -	From time imme- morial the property of the Corporation.	- - - -	Applied as after men- tioned. Rents about £. 171. 7. 10.
Estate near Ongar, in Essex.	Devised by Will -	To the Corporation, subject to the pay- ment of 16 l. annually to two young men in the town.	Applied as after men- tioned. Rent about £. 40.
Pendlestone Mills and Land.	By Charter - -	Granted to the Cor- poration.	Applied as after men- tioned. Rents about £. 161.

The INCOME arising from the CORPORATION PROPERTY is applied as follows:

To the Minister of Saint Mary Magdalene, as public Preacher on the Election of the Bailiffs, and on their taking their oath of Office - - - - -	£. s. d.
To resident Burgesses, distributed annually, not exceeding one penny each - -	10 - -
To payment of a Sum, called Spinners Money, to the poor of the town - -	1 10 -
To the King's Auditor for Pendlestone Mills - - - - -	3 18 -
To Insurance of the Mills - - - - -	13 9 10
To the Bailiffs, to bear the expenses of their office, annually expended in a Dinner, limited to the Corporation, Clergymen and Members for the Borough, on the day of election of Bailiffs, and another Dinner, upon a less limited scale, on the 29th day of September, when the new Bailiffs are sworn into office -	2 12 -
To two young Men, by vote at Common Hall, under the Will of Mr. Pulley, charged upon an estate in Essex, the property of the Corporation before mentioned - - - - -	80 - -
Salary to the Town Clerk, for attending the Bailiffs on public occasions - -	16 - -
To the Town Clerk, in lieu of Tolls of the Market suspended - - - - -	21 - -
To the Beadle or Prison-keeper, in lieu of Tolls suspended - - - - -	3 10 -
To the Beadle, as Night Watch, and for looking after the Castle Hill Walk, the property of the Corporation - - - - -	2 2 -
To the Town Crier's Salary - - - - -	10 10 -
To the Clerk of the Market and Inspector of Weights and Measures - -	2 2 -
For repairing of the Town Hall Clock - - - - -	- 15 -
To the Steward of the Races for the time being, annually towards the Race Fund -	2 2 -
To the Jury at the Court Leet, held twice in the year, to provide them a Dinner on those days - - - - -	10 10 -
To the Chief Constable of the Town; Salary - - - - -	12 - -
To the Head Master of the Grammar School in Bridgnorth, in aid of the Income belonging to that Institution - - - - -	5 - -
Town Clerk's Bill for official duties and professional business performed, annually about - - - - -	30 - -
Amount annually appropriated from the Corporation Income, commencing January 1830, for the exclusive purpose of obtaining an Act to remove the Town Hall from the centre of the street to the side thereof, and to erect a public Market-place - - - - -	70 - -
The remainder of the Income is expended in repairs of the streets, and in effecting other public improvements.	100 - -
£.	397 - 10

John J. Smith, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—[No Return.]

CORPORATION OF BRIDGWATER.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

NAME of DONOR.	HOW GIVEN.	SUMS GIVEN.	PURPOSES for which given.	HOW APPLIED.
		£. s. d.		
Robert Blake -	By Deed -	180 - -	To the poor - - -	As directed by the Donor's Will.
Christian Shercombe	By Will -	10 - -	- ditto - - -	- - ditto.
Sir John Bawdon -	- - -	40 - -	- ditto - - -	- - ditto.
William Blake -	Deed -	100 - -	- ditto - - -	- - ditto.
Benjamin Vaughan	ditto -	25 - -	- ditto - - -	- - ditto.
Constance Harvey -	- - -	20 - -	Interest to be paid to four poor widows.	- - ditto.
Dorothy Holworthy	Will -	41 10 -	To the poor - - -	- - ditto.
Richard Holworthy	ditto -	52 - -	Interest to be laid out in bread for the poor weekly.	- - ditto.
James Safford -	ditto -	40 - -	To teach poor children read.	- - ditto.
Richard Castleman -	ditto -	200 - -	For teaching poor children, and to the poor.	- - ditto.
Dr. John Morgan -	ditto -	- Lands -	For erecting a School House, and to pay a School-master to teach poor children.	- - ditto.

The Corporation are possessed of sundry lands, houses, tithes and hereditaments; the rents and profits whereof are applied to various public and other purposes.

2 March 1833.

John W<sup>m</sup> Trevor.



CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bridgwater.*

NAMES.	IN WHAT YEAR APPOINTED, AND TO WHAT OFFICE.	PROFESSION.
James Mills - - -	28 September 1812 - - Mayor -	Gentleman.
William Ford - - -	27 September 1813 - - Mayor -	Merchant.
William Inman - - -	26 September 1814 - - Mayor -	Gentleman.
Robert Anstice - - -	15 May - - 1817 - - Mayor -	Gentleman.
Joseph Jeffery - - -	2 June - - 1817 - - Alderman	Attorney at Law.
Jacob Watson - - -	22 September 1817 - - Mayor -	Maltster.
John Webber Crosse - -	28 September 1818 - - Mayor -	Gentleman.
Jefferys Allen - - -	27 February 1819 - - Recorder -	Esquire.
Joseph Ruscombe Poole -	27 September 1819 - - Mayor -	Attorney at Law.
Edward Anstice Stradling -	25 September 1820 - - Mayor -	Surgeon.
Richard Woodland - - -	24 September 1821 - - Mayor -	Banker.
Thomas Symes - - -	23 September 1822 - - Mayor -	Attorney at Law.
Jonathan Toogood - - -	29 September 1823 - - Mayor -	Surgeon.
Robert Codrington - - -	6 September 1823 - - Alderman	Attorney at Law.
Robert Anstice - - -	27 September 1824 - - Mayor -	Gentleman.
Edward Sealy, the younger	26 September 1825 - - Mayor -	Banker.
Richard Anstice - - -	25 September 1826 - - Mayor -	Attorney at Law.
Robert Anstice - - -	28 February 1827 - - Alderman	Gentleman.
Jacob Watson - - -	24 September 1827 - - Mayor -	Maltster.
Frederick Axford - - -	22 September 1828 - - Mayor -	Merchant.
Rev. William Jefferys Allen	28 September 1829 - - Mayor -	Clerk.

On the 23d December 1829, the Rev. William Jefferys Allen was removed from his office of Mayor, in consequence of an application from the Bishop of the Diocese.

Jacob Watson - - -	23 December 1829. Mayor for the remainder of the current year.	Maltster.
John Evered - - -	27 September 1830 - - Mayor -	Barrister at Law.
Jacob Watson - - -	17 December 1830 - - Alderman	Maltster.
Joseph Ruscombe Poole -	26 September 1831 - - Mayor -	Attorney at Law.
Richard Anstice - - -	24 September 1832 - - Mayor -	Attorney at Law.

2 March 1833.

*John Wm. Trevor.*

## CORPORATION OF BRISTOL.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1st. As to so much of the requisition as relates to Charitable Funds in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Bristol, the Commissioners, acting under an Act of Parliament passed in the 59th year of King George the Third, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament, for appointing Commissioners to inquire concerning Charities in England for the Education of the Poor, and to extend the powers thereof to other Charities in England and Wales, to continue in force until the first day of August One thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, and from thence until the end of the then next Session of Parliament," examined the several Charities and Charitable Funds under the order or disposition of the said Corporation; and in their Report, printed by the Order of The House of Commons, stated the particulars thereof.

2d. As to the property (not charitable) in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Bristol, the same consists of various messuages, lands, tenements, advowsons, rents and hereditaments, situate in the city of Bristol, and in the counties of Gloucester and Somerset, and also of sundry rates and dues payable in respect of goods imported and exported to and from the Port of Bristol, and of the Ships and Vessels arriving in such Port, the particulars of which Rates and Dues are stated in an Act of Parliament passed in the sixth year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to enable the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the City of Bristol, to reduce, alter, modify and regulate certain Dues called Town Dues and Mayor's Dues, and for the charging and collecting thereof," all which property has been acquired by, and is vested in the Corporation by several Charters, Grants, Conveyances, Wills or other Instruments of Title, or by Prescription, and the manner in which the same is now distributed and applied, is stated in the Schedule hereunto annexed, marked (A.), a copy of which was published in the several Bristol newspapers in the month of March 1832.

3d. As to so much of the required Returns as relates to those members of the Corporation who have been Magistrates during the last 20 years, viz. from the 8th February 1813 to the 8th February 1833, the same is comprised in the Schedule hereunto annexed, marked (B.)

*G. Ludlow, Town Clerk.*



## (A.)

AN ACCOUNT of the INCOME and EXPENDITURE of the CORPORATION of *Bristol*, for One Year ending the 29th September 1831.

RECEIPTS.	£.	£. s. d.	EXPENDITURE.	£.	£. s. d.
City Rents, average for 7 years to September 1830 - - }	4,864		Interest (No. 2.) - - -	2,546	
Less, Allowances for Repairs, bad Debts, &c. - - }	375		Less, received of Queen Elizabeth's Hospital - - }	208	
		4,489 - -	Annuity (No. 3.) - - -		2,338 - -
Country Rents (No. 1.) average 7 years to ditto - - }	3,730		Gifts and Payments (No. 4.) - -		58 - -
Less, Annuities - - -	768		Cheese Market, average 7 years (No. 5.) - -		207 - -
			Rents, payable by the Chamber (No. 6.) - -		3 - -
	2,962		Guildhall, average 7 years (No. 7.) - -		243 - -
Average, Repairs and Outgoings - - }	1,374		Mayoralty-house - ditto - -		330 - -
		1,588 - -	Mayor - - -		720 - -
Renewals, average 14 years to September 1830 - - - }			Sheriffs - - -	2,000	- -
Exchange and Market, average 7 years			Oyster Market, average 7 years -		800 - -
Saint James's Market - - ditto -			Gaol - - - ditto - -		53 - -
Corn Sheds - - - ditto - -			Bridewell - - - ditto - -		1,683 - -
Town Dues - - - average 5 years			Swivel Bridge, average 14 years		427 - -
Mayor's Dues - - - ditto - -			Library - - ditto - 7 years		448 - -
Burgess' Money - - average 7 years			Mayor's Chapel, (No. 8.) ditto		25 - -
Fines - - - - -			Council-house, (No. 9.) ditto		429 - -
			Salaries - - (No. 10.) ditto		750 - -
			Officers' Wages, Clothes, &c. - - - ditto		2,480 - -
			Pensioners - - - ditto		524 - -
			Welch Market - - - ditto		142 - -
			Ordinaries - (No. 11.) ditto		7 - -
			Extraordinaries, (No. 12.) ditto		1,969 - -
					2,693 - -
	£.	15,474 - -		£.	18,329 - -

## NOTES to SCHEDULE (A.)

1. Country Rents, 3,730*l.* } These Annuities are due to various individuals, in consideration of their having surrendered their Estates, which they held for lives; upon the death of such lives, these Annuities revert to the Corporation.

The cause of the average of Repairs, &c. being so high, arises from building Farm-houses, Barns, &c., and from the heavy expenses to which the Corporation are subject on estates falling into hand. As these repairs are done in a substantial manner, it may be inferred that the average will be lessened.

2. Interest - - - 2,546*l.* } The amount of the Bond and other Debts due from the Corporation to various Charities and Individuals is 81,228*l.* 14*s.* 1*d.*, and the Interest paid thereon is 2,546*l.*  
Less received from }  
Queen Elizabeth's }  
Hospital - - - }  
The Governors of Queen Elizabeth's Hospital owe the Corporation 25,134*l.* 8*s.* 6½*d.* to the same period. This Debt is the accumulation of Interest for a great many years, on the original Debt of 4,160*l.*, on which amount only are the Corporation entitled to Interest, viz. 208*l.* per annum.

The Trustees of the Cattle Market are also in debt to the Corporation, upwards of 10,000*l.*

3. Annuity, 58*l.* This Annuity is payable to the feoffees of Alderman Whitson's Charity, for a consideration.

4. Gifts and Payments, 207*l.* Payments made annually to every parish in Bristol, the gifts of various individuals, for which the Corporation Estates are liable.

5. Cheese Market, 3*l.* It is in contemplation to remove this Market to the Wool Hall, Thomas-street; the site at present is in a confined street leading from Wine-street to Maryport-street, and it cannot be expected that any considerable advantage can be realized from sale or otherwise.

6. Rents payable by the Chamber, 243*l.* The Corporation Funds are liable for this amount, to various persons, for fee-farm and other rents of property demolished to improve the city.

7. Guildhall, 330*l.*; comprehends the necessary repairs, upon an average of seven years. The building is very old, and requires constant repair, but it is probable this average may be reduced.

8. Mayor's Chapel, 429*l.* The Clergy receive from the Corporation, 2*l.* 2*s.* for each sermon; the remainder comprehends the salary to the Chaplain, Organist, Clerk, Sexton, and other disbursements, the average of repairs, &c.

9. Council

9. Council House, 750*l.* The taxes of this building are nearly 200 *l.* per annum. The porters and night watchmen, 100*l.* The Tolzey-keeper's salary, and disbursements for women, &c. about 250*l.*; which includes expenses of quarter sessions, gas, candles, insurance, and the ordinary repairs make up the remainder.

10. Salaries, 2,480*l.* Town Clerk, Chamberlain, Vice Chamberlain, Sword Bearer, Coroners, Mayor's Clerk, Land Steward, Inspector of nuisances on the rivers, ditto for the city, Haven Master, Bridge-keeper, Chamberlain's clerks, preaching lectures at St. Nicholas' church, Master of the Grammar School, Under Master of ditto, preaching Thursday lectures at St. John's, Chaplain to the Infirmary.

11. £.1,969. Payments to various tradesmen for repairs of property in hand, the cost of conveying water to key-pipe, &c., insurances, stamps, expenses of gaol deliveries and assizes, stationery, printing and advertising, vote to the Recorder, wine to the Recorder, Members in Parliament and High Steward, vote to the Infirmary, law charges, &c.

12. £.2,693. Payments under this head consist of votes of the Common Council for any extraordinary object, such as building churches, &c. and is applicable to the votes made by the surveyors for the improvements in the city, either in widening or improving the streets, by throwing down and falling back the fronts of houses. Entertainments to distinguished personages fall also under this head; expenses occasioned by the proclamation or coronation of a king or queen; law expenses in defending suits instituted against the Corporation.

## (B.)

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bristol.*

NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.
Sir Vicary Gibbs - - -	Knight - - - Recorder - - dead.
Sir John Durbin - - -	Knight - - - Alderman - - dead.
Levi Ames - - -	Banker - - - Alderman - - dead.
John Noble - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman - - dead.
Henry Bengough - - -	Banker and Attorney Alderman - - dead.
Evan Baillie - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman - - resigned.
David Evans - - -	Wholesale Grocer - Alderman - - dead.
Sir Richard Vaughan - - -	Knight - - - Alderman - - resigned.
Samuel Birch - - -	Banker - - - Alderman - - resigned.
John Page - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman - - dead.
John Hilhouse Wilcox - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman - - resigned.
Michael Castle - - -	Distiller - - - Mayor - - - dead.
William Fripp the elder - - -	Banker - - - Alderman - - dead.
James Fowler - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman.
Sir William John Struth - - -	Knight - - - Mayor - - - resigned.
Henry Brooke - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman - - dead.
Right honourable Lord Gifford - - -	- - - Recorder - - - dead.
Stephen Cave - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman - - resigned.
Thomas Hassell - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman - - dead.
Right honourable Lord Lyndhurst - - -	- - - Recorder - - - resigned.
John Cave - - -	Esquire - - - Mayor - - - out of office.
Charles Pinney - - -	Esquire - - - Mayor - - - out of office.
Daniel Stanton - - -	Esquire - - - Mayor - - - now in office.
Sir Charles Wetherell - - -	Knight - - - Recorder.
Thomas Daniel - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman.
John Haythorne - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman.
William Fripp - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman.
George Hilhouse - - -	Ship-builder - - - Alderman.
Abraham Hilhouse - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman.
James George - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman.
John Barrow - - -	Merchant - - - Alderman.
Thomas Camplin - - -	Insurance Broker - - Alderman.
Gabriel Goldney - - -	Esquire - - - Alderman.
John Savage - - -	Sugar Refiner - - - Alderman.

## CORPORATION OF BUCKINGHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1st.—*Penelope Osborne's*, commonly called "THE GREEN GOWN CHARITY."

THE Lady *Penelope Osborne* by her Will, bearing date the 25th May 1695, gave and bequeathed unto the Town and Parish of Buckingham, and the Corporation thereof, 300*l.*, which she desired her executors to see so well settled and secured by the Corporation, that it might be employed as followeth; viz.

"That upon every 1st of May, the day of choosing their Bailiff; the said 300*l.* might be lent to such person or persons as her executor should think fit during his life, and after his death, to such person and persons as the Bailiff and Burgesses of the said Corporation should nominate and appoint; and in such sum or sums, and for such interest as he or they should think fit, and that the interest should be paid once in the year, upon the 1st day of May, at the meeting of the Bailiff and Burgesses:

"And the Testatrix appointed that the said interest should be divided into six parts, and be distributed equally to six poor men, who were to be chosen by Sir Richard Temple during his life, and after his death, by the said Bailiff and Burgesses, which six poor men were to enjoy the same during their lives; and if any of them should happen to die, that Sir Richard Temple should fill up the number during his life, and afterwards that the number should be filled up by the Bailiff and Burgesses:

"And the Testatrix directed her executors to provide six gowns of green cloth for the six poor men, and six silver badges, with the arms of her father, Sir Edmund Verney, which silver badges should be set in a convenient place upon the said six gowns; and if any of the six poor men should die, the badges of the deceased should be set upon his gown that should come next in his place, and so on successively for ever. And after the first gowns were made, the said poor men should have new gowns every two years, to be provided out of the interest or income of the said 300*l.*:

"And the said Testatrix willed, that these six men should appear in their gowns and attend the Bailiff and Burgesses the 1st day of May; and likewise that they should wait on the Bailiff to the parish church on Sundays, in their gowns:

"And the said Testatrix further declared her will to be, that a book should be provided by her executors, to be kept by the minister of the parish, wherein the names of the persons to whom the money should be lent, and for what sums, and likewise that the names of the poor men should be entered in the said book, for which entry the minister should receive every May-day 10*s.* out of the interest of the said money, and the residue of the interest should be divided equally between the six poor men aforesaid; and that the said book of entries should, every May-day, be brought into the Town-hall of Buckingham, at the election of the new Bailiff, to be exposed to public view, that any person might see how the said money was disposed of, and to whom."

The money is out at interest, and the conditions of the Will are strictly complied with, with the following exception: that in the year 1827, it being found that the cloth gowns became wholly unfit for use, and there being no fund wherewith the same could be renewed, without abridging the money payments to the poor men, a subscription was entered into, for the purpose of providing new gowns or coats; and in order to abide by the directions of the founder as nearly as possible, green cloth coats were made, of such form as to be of general utility to the poor men, with additional capes or scarfs, on which the silver badges were fixed, to be worn only in processions.

They wear the coats at their pleasure, and there is a sum of 6*s.* annually deducted from each man's share of the money, for raising a fund wherewith to provide them, in future, with a coat every four years; which 6*s.*, together with a small overplus remaining from the subscription, are placed in the Savings' Bank, and the interest will be applied towards lowering the annual reduction thus made.

The following is an Extract from the Book of the last entry:

"Tuesday, 1st May 1832.

"*Memorandum*.—That the six poor men, whose names are underwritten, viz. John Inns the elder, William Jones, John Jones, Charles Wright, Thomas Bailey, John Gray, received of the Bailiff and Burgesses of the Corporation of Buckingham, the sum of 1*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* each, being (with six shillings each deducted for raising a fund to provide green gowns for the said poor men) Lady *Penelope Osborne's* benefaction to them of 11*l.* 10*s.*; and the minister of the parish church of Buckingham did also, at the same time, receive his annual pension of 10*s.* for keeping the book, making the entry and paying the said poor men, as directed by the Will of the said Lady *Penelope Osborne*.

"*Tho' Silvester*, Curate."

## 2dly.—The GREEN COAT SCHOOL.

By Indenture, dated the 15th day of March, A. D. 1760, and made between Gabriel Newton, of the Borough of Leicester, Gentleman, of the one part; and Nicholas Thorby, Esquire, Mayor of the said Borough, and the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Borough of Leicester, of the other part; certain lands were conveyed to the said then Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgesses, their successors and assigns, upon trust, to apply the annual proceeds of the same (after paying the necessary outgoings,) to the educating and clothing of a certain number of children in each of the places thereafter described, (*int. al.*)—"To the Mayor or other Chief Officer, Bailiff and Burgesses of the Borough or Corporation of Buckingham, in the county of Buckingham, the yearly sum of 26*l.*;" to be by them appropriated to clothing and educating 25 boys of indigent parents, of the Established Church.

The conditions were, that the boys should be chosen from the age of seven to that of fourteen inclusive; and that each boy should be allowed once in every 12, 15 or 18 months, as the trustees might think proper, one green cloth coat, waistcoat and breeches, one shirt of flaxen cloth, and such other apparel as the said Gabriel Newton had usually allowed in the said towns, &c.;

That the residue of the said annual sums should be paid to a master, competent to instruct the boys, in each of the said towns, &c. in writing, reading, arithmetic, in singing psalms, and to sing the responses:

That the boys be chosen by the Corporation assembled:

That no boy be admitted, whose parents receive parochial relief:

That no town or parish should receive the benefit of the donation, where the Creed of St. Athanasius is not read.

The above are strictly complied with. The boys have new clothes every 18 months.

## 3dly.—Sir Simon Bennett's Charity, commonly called "THE BLUE COAT CHARITY."

SIR Simon Bennett, Bart. by his Will, bearing date the 15th August 1631, (*int. al.*) gave, limited and appointed to the Town of Buckingham, 20*l.* per annum for ever, to be issuing or going forth of the tithes and tenths of the lordship or hamlet of Boreton, and out of the rents, issues and profits of the same, for the clothing with jerkins, breeches and stockings of blue coloured cloth once yearly, ten aged and impotent men of honest conversation, and who should have been dwelling in the said Town of Buckingham aforesaid, by the space of seven years at the time of his decease; and in case any of those ten men should die after such his gift should take effect, then his mind was, that other of the aged or impotent men, or men in greatest want, inhabiting (for the time being) in the Town of Buckingham aforesaid, should be clothed in like manner, so that the number of ten, once every year, might take the benefit of his gift, according to his intention; and that the said clothing should be provided yearly in readiness, against the feast-day of St. Simon & Jude; and his mind and will further was, that if any overplus of the said 20*l.* should remain after the said ten men clothed as aforesaid, the same overplus should be bestowed amongst the same ten persons that should be so clothed as aforesaid once in the year, within eight days next before Christmas then next following, the particular charge and care thereof, both in providing of the said clothing and electing of such men as the same should be bestowed on, as also the bestowing of the said overplus, if any should be, committed to the chief bailiff and the burgesses of the said Town of Buckingham aforesaid, for the time being.

The bailiff and burgesses conform to this.

The bailiff receives the tolls arising from the markets and fairs.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Buckingham.*

THERE is only one member, who becomes a magistrate by virtue of his election to a corporate office, and that is the Bailiff for the time being. Underneath is a List of the Bailiffs for the last 20 years.

1813: John Seeley - - - Stationer.	1823: Richard Dayrell - - Esquire.
1814: Robert Gray - - - Surgeon.	1824: Samuel Thomas - - Innkeeper.
1815: John Fellowes, sen. - Gentleman.	1825: The said Robert Gray.
1816: George Parrott - - Banker.	1826: The said George Parrott.
1817: Thomas Box - - - Banker.	1827: The said John Fellowes, sen.
1818: George Nelson - - Banker.	1828: John Loveridge - - Farmer.
1819: John Bainbridge - - Lace-dealer.	1829: James Harrison - - Auctioneer.
1820: Shem Baxter - - - Innkeeper.	1830: John King - - - Solicitor.
1821: John Fellowes, jun. - Gentleman.	1831: George King - - - Draper.
1822: William Stowe - - Surgeon.	1832: Christopher Dalton } Grocer. Bennett - - - }

Joseph Parrott, Town Clerk.

**CORPORATION OF BURY ST. EDMUND'S.**

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

### Johnson's Charity

Consists of rents derived from estates in Bury St. Edmund's, Horningsheath and Rattlesden, all in the county of Suffolk, amounting annually to 40 l., and three almshouses in the parish of St. James in this borough, given by the Will of Jacob Johnson in 1708.

The purposes for which the same were given are as follows ; viz.

The three almshouses to be inhabited by three poor widows of the said parish of St. James.

To eight poor men of the said borough, a blue coat and 5 s. each in money annually.

To eight poor women of the said borough, a gown and 5s. each in money annually.

To the three poor widows inhabiting the almshouses, a gown each in every other year.

To the Preacher of the parish of St. James, 20s. annually for preaching a sermon.

To the Reader of the said parish, the sum of 5s. annually.

To the Clerk of the said parish, 2s. 6d. annually.

To the Sexton of the said parish, the sum of 2s. 6d. annually.

To the Trustees (who are composed of the Alderman and Capital Burgesses of the Corporation for the time being), 20s. annually for a dinner.

To the Receiver of the rents, &c. 20s. annually for his salary.

The surplus of the rents, &c. if any, to be applied to the schooling of poor children of the said borough.

The funds of this Charity are now distributed and applied for the above purposes.

### *Badby's Gift.*

A rent-charge of 6*l.* per annum upon a house in Bury St. Edmund's, given by Edward Badby, esq., in the year 1578, to be distributed annually in the following manner; viz. 20*s.* each to two poor men and one poor woman of each of the parishes of St. James and St. Mary in this borough, born in this borough.

**CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Bury St. Edmund's.***

1812:	Orbell Ray Oakes	- Banker	- Alderman.
	Philip James Case	- Solicitor	- Coroner.
1813:	Peter Chambers	- Yarn-maker	- Alderman.
	Orbell Ray Oakes	- - -	- Coroner.
1814:	Charles Blomfield	- Schoolmaster	- Alderman.
	Peter Chambers	- - -	- Coroner.
1815:	Thomas Foster	- Ironmonger	- Alderman.
	Charles Blomfield	- - -	- Coroner.
1816:	Philip James Case	- - -	- Alderman.
	Thomas Foster	- - -	- Coroner.
1817:	Orbell Ray Oakes	- - -	- Alderman.
	Philip James Case	- - -	- Coroner.
1818:	James Borton	- Solicitor	- Alderman.
	Orbell Ray Oakes	- - -	- Coroner.
1819:	Thomas Clay	- Liquor Merchant	- Alderman.
	James Borton	- - -	- Coroner.
1820:	William Beales	- Doctor of Medicine,	Alderman.
	Thomas Clay	- - -	- Coroner.
1821:	Orbell Ray Oakes	- - -	- Alderman.
	Charles Blomfield	- - -	- Coroner.
1822:	Philip James Case	- - -	- Alderman.
	Orbell Ray Oakes	- - -	- Coroner.

1823:	John Thompson	- Silversmith	- Alderman.
	Philip James Case	- - -	- Coroner.
1824:	James Borton	- - -	- Alderman.
	John Thompson	- - -	- Coroner.
1825:	Thomas Clay	- - -	- Alderman.
	James Borton	- - -	- Coroner.
1826:	John Orbell	- Cutler	- Alderman.
	Thomas Clay	- - -	- Coroner.
1827:	Charles Blomfield	- - -	- Alderman.
	John Orbell	- - -	- Coroner.
1828:	John Palmer Cullum	Gent.	- Alderman.
	Charles Blomfield	- - -	- Coroner.
1829:	Henry James Oakes	- Banker	- Alderman.
	Charles Blomfield	- - -	- Coroner.
1830:	John Boldero	- Liquor Merchant	- Alderman.
	Henry James Oakes	- - -	- Coroner.
1831:	Robert Martin Carrs	- Farmer	- Alderman.
	John Boldero	- - -	- Coroner.
1832:	Abraham Gall	- Chemist	- Alderman.
	Robert Martin Carrs	- - -	- Coroner.

## BOROUGH OF CALLINGTON.

Sir,  
 I BEG to acquaint you, for the information of Lord Melbourne, that in this town there is no Municipal Corporation.  
 S. M. Phillipps, Esq.

February 15, 1833.

J. H. Fletcher, Magistrate.

## CORPORATION OF CAMBRIDGE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Charitable Funds and other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Cambridge are as follow :

The Mayor and Aldermen receive the rents of Knight's Charity, amounting to 93 *l.* 10 *s.* annually, which they distribute equally once a quarter among three old maidens and three widows resident in houses belonging to the Charity, as directed by the Will of Mrs. Knight.

They also receive once in five years the rents of Crane's Charity Lands: the last receipt was in 1831, and amounted to the sum of 407 *l.* 5 *s.*, part whereof is distributed quarterly by the Trustees under the Will; viz. the Vice-Chancellor of the University, the three Professors of Divinity, Law and Physic, the Chief Apothecary, the Mayor, the Recorder, and three of the Aldermen or the greater part of them, among a number of poor men and women of good character, at the discretion of the Trustees, as directed by the Will.

They also receive 10 *l.* annually under a Mr. Chevin's Will, which is distributed at two periods in the year among the parishes in the town, after a sermon on that occasion.

They also distribute 5 *l.* annually, under Alderman Chapman's Will, for the like purpose.

And they also distribute 6 *l.* annually, under Alderman Mott's Will, for the like purpose.

The Corporation receive the sum of 104 *l.* once in 24 years; the last was paid to them in 1811, and is disposed of as directed by the Will of Sir James White.

The other property in possession of the Corporation consists of messuages, lands and tenements within the town of Cambridge, which is divided into four wards; and these estates are granted out, some for 40 years, renewable every fourteen years, and some for 21 years, renewable every seven years at reserved rents, and, of some other parts, leases were formerly granted for 999 years; but, several years since, a bye-law was made to prevent leases being granted for longer terms than 40 years.

	£.	s.	d.
Bridge Ward rental is - - - - -	147	5	9
Market Ward - - - - -	187	9	4½
High Ward - - - - -	100	18	3
Preachers' Ward - - - - -	109	3	5
	£. 544	16	9½
Dividend on 250 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	7	10	-
Market and Fair tolls in Cambridge, and tolls at Reach } Fair, about - - - - -	239	-	-
Fines on renewals, on an average of the last seven years -	172	-	-
	£. 963	6	9½

The title of the Corporation to the property to which they are entitled to their own use, is founded on very ancient charters and grants of different Kings, in consideration of various payments in money and other aids and services; and so long back as King Henry the First, that monarch granted the town of Cambridge to the Corporation of Cambridge, which had been a pre-existing Corporation (paying the accustomed rent as the Sheriff had been previously accustomed to pay), and King John confirmed the town of Cambridge, with its appurtenances, to the Corporation of Cambridge, treating them as a pre-existing Corporation, and putting the grant as a grant and confirmation; and in a late case (*Brett v. Beales*), the Court of King's Bench adjudged that the Corporation, by virtue of their charters, and particularly of that of King John, were lords or proprietors of the soil of all the waste lands within the town of Cambridge. The Corporation have from time to time, for centuries past, made feoffments and also leases of different parts of the soil to various persons for terms of years, who have built upon the same, and the reserved rents from the sums above set forth.

The modes in which the above revenues are applied and distributed are—

For the repairs of the bridges and quays.

A contribution annually, to the paving rate, of 10 *l.*

The repairs of the Town Hall.

A fee-farm rent to Downing College (the ancestor of whose founder purchased the rent of the town of Cambridge from the Crown), of 70 *l.* annually.

Salaries

Salaries and expenses for Corporation officers and servants, and pensions to old servants.

Interest on 3,650*l.* borrowed by the Corporation towards defraying the expenses of the litigation of their claim to certain tolls.

For land-tax and quit-rents.

For gratuities to poor widows and other persons.

For allowances for hospitals.

For other contingent applications.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Cambridge.*

There are no members of this Corporation who, by virtue of their election to corporate officers, become Magistrates. The Justices of the Peace here are appointed by commission under the Great Seal.

Town Clerk's Office, Cambridge,  
7 March 1833.

*A. Chevell*, Dep. Town Clerk.

### CORPORATION OF CAMELFORD.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE only Charitable Funds or property in the possession or disposition of the Corporation of Camelford, is a freehold tenement called Town Tregarth. This property was conveyed by a Sir James Smith, in the year 1679, to trustees, in trust for the Mayor and Burgesses for the time being and their successors for ever, in order that the said Mayor and Burgesses and their successors might for ever take and receive the rents, for the better erecting a school-house and maintaining of a school there, and discharging such other necessities as may or shall happen within the said borough. The rents are now received by the Corporation, and applied in payment of the schoolmaster's salary and maintaining the school-house.

The only other funds in the possession of the Corporation are the tolls arising from the markets and fairs held within the borough. Those tolls were originally, it is presumed, a prescriptive right, but were confirmed by the charter of 21st Charles II. to the Corporation for their use, and without rendering any account thereof. These funds, therefore, have been and still are received by the Mayor for the time being, and applied towards the expenses of his office and those of the Corporation.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Camelford.*

The Body Corporate of Camelford consists of nine Capital Burgesses, all of whom are liable to fill the office of Mayor; they only act, however, as magistrates during their continuance in office as Mayor, and no longer; consequently the Mayor for the time being is the only magistrate within the borough; and this right has been exercised for the last 20 years, and for a long period prior thereto. The names, &c. of the present Corporate Body are as follows.

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS, &c.
James Rosevear - - - - -	Mercer and draper.
Charles Denham - - - - -	Innkeeper.
Richard Watts - - - - -	Currier.
John Gist - - - - -	Gentleman.
John Carpenter - - - - -	Esquire.
Edward West - - - - -	Surgeon.
Matthew Pope - - - - -	Hatter.
William Henry King - - - - -	Surgeon.
James Robson - - - - -	Gentleman.

16 February 1833.

*W. F. Pearce*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF CANTERBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

**Mr. Lovejoy's Charity:**—Elizabeth Lovejoy, widow and relict of George Lovejoy, late of the city of Canterbury, clerk, by her Will, dated 25th March 1694, and proved soon afterwards at Canterbury, gave to the Mayor and Commonalty of the city of Canterbury—

A lease from the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury of the tithery of Callis-grange, in the parish of St. Peter, in the isle of Thanet, in the county of Kent;

Upon trust to lay by every year such a proportion of the profits as should be sufficient to renew the said lease, and should continually renew the same;

To pay the reserved rent, 25*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and 29*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.* redeemed land tax; to repair the chancel of St. Peter's church, and her husband's monument and her own.

To the clerk of the said parish and his successors 20*s.* yearly, to take care of said monuments.

To the vicar of said parish yearly	-	-	-	-	-	£.40
To a schoolmaster, to teach 20 poor children, gratis, yearly	-	-	-	-	-	20
To pay annuities to Jesus Hospital in Canterbury	-	-	-	-	-	5
Saint John's Hospital in Canterbury	-	-	-	-	-	10
King's Bridge Hospital in Canterbury	-	-	-	-	-	5
Cogan's Hospital in Canterbury	-	-	-	-	-	4
Saint Thomas's Hospital in Harbledown, near Canterbury	-	-	-	-	-	5
Sir Roger Manwood's Hospital at Hackington, alias Saint Stephen's, near Canterbury	-	-	-	-	-	5

To dispose of the residue in such pious and charitable uses, either in the relief of poor prisoners, or of such poor, ancient, impotent and sick people and their families as neither go a begging or take relief of the parish where they inhabit, or to clothe or put out such poor apprentices to handicraft trades, who are not themselves or their parents any charge to the parish where they dwell, according as in their discretion they shall think fit, only she wills that 6*l.* of the said residue shall be thus yearly expended.

Forty shillings on a dinner yearly on the anniversary of the day of her death, for the persons authorized to dispose of such charity.

To the Chamberlain for keeping the accounts	-	-	-	-	-	20 <i>s.</i>
To the Town Clerk for drawing petitions of such persons who sue for relief	-	-	-	-	-	20
And to the Minister of the Mayor's parish church to preach a sermon on the same day	-	-	-	-	-	40

The above charity is applied yearly for the purposes mentioned in the Will; the trustees for the disposal (namely, the Mayor, Recorder, Chamberlain, and three youngest Aldermen who have been Mayors) have for some few years past paid to the Vicar of Saint Peter's, yearly, 40*l.* besides 10*l.* expressly reserved for the Vicar by the lease granted by the Dean and Chapter, and to the schoolmaster 30*l.* instead of 20*l.*

**Thomas Ovyngton's Gift:**—Thomas Ovyngton, by Will, dated 28th January 1557, gave one piece of pasture containing one acre, more or less, lying within the city of Canterbury, besides the place commonly called the Dongeon, to the Mayor and Commonalty of the city of Canterbury, their successors and assigns for ever, for and to the provision, use and relief of the poor of the said city, and to the maintenance and sustentation of the stock of the Hospital of the Poor in the said city then called the House of Correction.

By deed poll, dated 6th April 1578, Mary Ovyngton, daughter and heiress of the said Thomas Ovyngton, in accomplishment of the Will of her said father, gave, granted and confirmed the above-mentioned one acre of pasture land unto five of the Aldermen of Canterbury and five of the Common Council of the said city, their heirs and assigns, to the use of the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city, their heirs and successors for ever, for the purpose mentioned in the Will of the said Thomas Ovyngton.

This land is now let to Samuel Hacker, of the city of Canterbury, on lease, which will expire at Michaelmas 1834, rent 27*l.* 5*s.*; it makes part of the city revenue, and is employed in the purposes of the corporation, except 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* which the Chamberlain pays yearly as formerly to the poor of the city.

**Thomas Ludd's Gift:**—Thomas Ludd, of the city of Canterbury, glazier, by Indenture, dated 28th April 1649, gave to the Mayor and Commonalty, and their successors, one annuity or yearly rent of 11*s.* to be issuing and going out of a messuage and premises of the said Thomas Ludd, situate in the parish of Saint Alphage, in the said city, in a certain street called Rush Market to the said street south, to the house called the King's Head, west,



west, to the house of Thomas Bullock, east; to hold to the Mayor and Commonalty, and their successors, to the use of them, their successors and assigns for ever, payable yearly on Midsummer day; to the end that the Mayor and Commonalty and their successors should for ever, after the decease of the said Thomas Ludd, have a sermon preached before them yearly on the day of the election of the Mayor, immediately before the election, by such an able minister as the Mayor for the time being should nominate, and in such place as he should appoint; and that the said Mayor and Commonalty and their successors should pay unto every such minister 10 s. immediately after the end of the said sermon, and unto the parish clerk where such sermon should be preached 1 s.

This sum is applied as directed by the Will.

*Thomas Hanson's Gift*:—Thomas Hanson, Esq. by Will dated 30th April 1768, proved at Doctor's Commons 10th March following,

Gave to the Mayor, Commonalty of the City of Canterbury, and to their successors, 1,500 l. in trust that the Mayor, Recorder, and such Aldermen who have been Mayor of the said city, and their successors, do and shall lay out and invest the same in such of the public stocks or funds of this kingdom, in the name or names of such person or persons, and in such manner as they or the major part of them shall think fit; and to alter and change such stocks or funds from time to time as they or the major part shall judge necessary; and also do, and shall from time to time receive the interest, dividends and proceeds of such stock or funds, and pay, apply and dispose of the same half yearly for ever, in manner and form following (that is to say):

*East Bridge Hospital*:—One-third part thereof to be paid and divided unto and among such of the resident Brothers and Sisters of East Bridge Hospital, in, within or near the said City of Canterbury, as the said Mayor, Recorder, and such Aldermen as aforesaid, or the major part of them shall think fit.

*Saint John's Hospital*:—One other third part thereof to be paid and divided unto and among such resident Brothers and Sisters of St. John's Hospital, otherwise called the Lower Hospital in Northgate, in the said city of Canterbury, as the said Mayor, Recorder, and such Aldermen as aforesaid, or the major part of them shall think fit.

*Maynard's Hospital*:—And the remaining third part thereof to be paid and divided unto and among such of the resident Brothers and Sisters of Maynard's Spittle Hospital in the said city of Canterbury, as the said Mayor, Recorder, and such Aldermen as aforesaid, or the major part of them shall think fit.

*The Money not to be paid to non-residents*:—And he did thereby strictly enjoin, charge and require the said Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen, that they should not, upon any account or pretence whatsoever, pay or divide any part of the said trust money unto or among any of the Brothers or Sisters of the said Hospital or Hospitals who should not constantly reside and inhabit therein.

*Present state of this Charity*, 1,750 l. Three per cent. Reduced Annuities; yearly interest, 52 l. 10 s. Received and applied as directed by the said Will.

*Mary Fowtrel's Gift*:—Extract from the Will of Mary Fowtrel, late of the parish of Saint Alphage, in the City of Canterbury, spinster, deceased, who died the 30th day of December 1813, and whose Will was proved at Doctor's Commons on the 1st February 1814, by Michael Kingsford and Thomas Foord, Esqrs. the executors.

"I order and direct my said executors, as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, to lay out and invest the like sum of Three hundred pounds of like lawful money, in the purchase of capital stock, in some or one of the public stocks or funds of this kingdom, in the name of the Mayor and Commonalty of the city of Canterbury, and the same to be and remain in them and their successors for ever, upon trust to receive or cause to be received by their attorney duly authorized for that purpose, all the clear yearly dividends, interest and produce thereof, as the same shall become due and payable, and from time to time to pay, or cause to be paid, the said dividends, interest and produce unto and amongst the Brothers and Sisters for the time being of Harbledown Hospital, near the said city of Canterbury, in equal shares and proportions: I order and direct my said executors, as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, to lay out and invest the sum of Two hundred pounds of like lawful money, in the purchase of further capital stock in some or one of the public stocks or funds of this kingdom, in the name of the said Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, and the said last mentioned capital stock so to be purchased to be and remain in them and their successors for ever; upon trust to receive or cause to be received by their attorney lawfully authorized for that purpose, all the clear yearly dividends, interests and produce thereof as the same shall become due and payable, and from time to time to pay or cause to be paid the said last-mentioned dividends, interest and produce unto and amongst the Brothers and Sisters for the time being of East Bridge Hospital, near the said city of Canterbury, in equal shares and proportions; and I further order and direct my said executors, as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, to lay out and invest the like sum of Two hundred pounds of like lawful money, in the purchase of further capital stock, in some or one of the public stocks or funds of this kingdom, in the name of the

said Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, and the said last mentioned capital stock so to be purchased to be and remain in them and their successors for ever; upon trust to receive or cause to be received by their attorney lawfully authorized for that purpose, all the dividends, interest and produce thereof, as the same shall become due and payable, and from time to time to pay or cause to be paid the said last mentioned dividends, interest and produce, unto and amongst the Brothers and Sisters for the time being of St. John's Hospital, in or near the parish of St. Mary, Northgate, in the said city of Canterbury, in equal shares and proportions: I further order and direct my said executors, as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, to lay out and invest the like sum of Two hundred pounds of like lawful money, in the purchase of further capital stock, in some or one of the public stocks or funds of this kingdom, in the name of the said Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury; and the said last mentioned capital stock so to be purchased, to be and remain in them and their successors for ever upon trust, to receive, or cause to be received by their attorney, duly authorized for that purpose, all the clear yearly dividends, interest and produce thereof, as the same shall become due and payable, and from time to time to pay, or cause to be paid, the said last mentioned dividends, interest and produce, unto and amongst the Brothers and Sisters for the time being of Maynard's and Cotton's Hospital, in the parish of St. Mildred, in the said city of Canterbury, in equal shares and proportions."

Present state of this Charity 1,057 *l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* Three and a half per cent. Bank Annuities; yearly interest 37*l.*, received and paid as directed by the Will.

*Henry Robinson's Gift*:—By Indenture dated 28th April 1642, between Henry Robinson, of the parish of Saint Margaret, in the city of Canterbury, esquire, of the one part, and Clyne Carter, esquire, then Mayor of the said city, Francis Lovelace, esquire, Recorder, Avery Sabin, and 10 others, Aldermen of the said city, of the other part;

Reciting, that the said Henry Robinson had, voluntarily and of his own accord, out of his free will and disposition, to settle some good and charitable gift for the help and advancement of such poor and well disposed youth there as have or should thereafter serve apprenticeships in some good and honest trade within the said city, given and delivered unto the Chamberlain of the said city of Canterbury 100*l.* to be put out at interest: It was witnessed that the Chamberlain of the said city should put out the said 100*l.* at interest, upon such securities as should be approved of by the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the said city for the time being, or the major part of them, whereof the Mayor or Recorder to be one, and that the Chamberlain should receive the interest, and as often as he should have received of the interest 5*l.* over and above all necessary charges in or touching the premises, should pay and deliver the said 5*l.* to some honest young man who was born within the said city, and who had served seven years an apprenticeship in the said city to some trade, as being bound thereunto by the churchwardens and overseers of some parish within the said city, according to the statute for and towards the stocking and setting up the said young man in his said trade, the said young man to be chosen and nominated by the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the said city for the time being, or the major part of them, whereof the Mayor or Recorder always to be one; such young men to enter into a bond of the penalty of 10*l.* unto the Chamberlain, with one or more sureties to be approved of by the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen, or the major part of them, whereof the Mayor or Recorder to be one, conditioned that if the said party so receiving the said 5*l.* should, within two years next after the receipt thereof, give over his said trade to which he was bound an apprentice, then the said party, his executors or administrators, should pay unto the Chamberlain of the said city the sum of 5*l.* immediately upon such his giving over of such his said trade.

The Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen, or the major part of them, whereof the Mayor or Recorder to be one, once in every year to meet the Chamberlain to consider the security whereupon the said 100*l.* should be lent, and to cause the same to be continued, called in or otherwise disposed of as they or the major part of them then present, whereof the Mayor or Recorder to be one, should in their discretion think fit, and should then call the Chamberlain to account what interest he had in his hands, and to take care, so often as there should be 5*l.* of the interest, that the same be paid and delivered to some such young man, so as there might be one such young man set up and stocked every year.

The overplus of the yearly interest, over and above the said 5*l.* yearly to be bestowed as aforesaid, and all charges to the Chamberlain being deducted, to remain in the hands of the Chamberlain until the same should be made up 5*l.*, to be paid and disposed of unto some young man as aforesaid, if any such young man so receiving the said 5*l.* that shall give over his said trade within two years after the receipt thereof, shall pay back his said 5*l.*; then the said 5*l.* so paid back should be paid and delivered to some other such young man; provided, that if there should not be any such young man in the said city to receive the said 5*l.* that then, so often as there should be failure of such young man, the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen should nominate and appoint some other young man of the said city, and born in the said city, who had served an apprentice to any trade, to have the 5*l.* for that year, and for every year when such failure should be, and that then and so often the said 5*l.* should be paid to such other young man.

Proviso: That it should be lawful for the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the said city for the time being, if they or the major part of them, whereof the Mayor or Recorder to be one,

one, should think fit to purchase any land or tenements in fee simple with the said 100 *l.* principal money, and to settle or cause the same to be settled, so as the yearly benefit, rents and profits thereof should, from time to time, for ever be employed, and disposed to the uses aforesaid.

10 June 1662. The Court of Burghmote order, that the 100 *l.* of Mr. Robinson's Gift shall be called in and lent to the city on the security of the city, to be given unto the Chamberlain for the repayment thereof with interest until it shall be repaid, which 100 *l.* are borrowed to enable the city with money for payment of the citizen's gift to his Majesty.

16th September 1673. The Court of Burghmote order, that the sum of 100 *l.* of the charitable gift of Henry Robinson, esquire, according to the gift shall be bestowed on a purchase, to the end that the same may be the better preserved and continued, and that the same shall be paid to Marks Berry, for the purchase of a messuage and land at the borough of Saint Martins.

**OBSERVATION:**—It appears by the city Terrar, that by a conveyance dated the 15th and 16th days of September 1673, Mark Berry, in consideration of 166 *l.* paid to him by Squire Beverton, Chamberlain of Canterbury, conveyed to him in fee simple a house and close in the parish of Saint Martin, in Canterbury.—*N. B.* This estate the Corporation are now in possession of, but the rent of it is solely applied to their use, and not according to the donor's intention; but this circumstance arises from there not being any applications made for the money.

**Edward Johnson's Gift:**—Edward Johnson, late of the parish of Saint Andrew, in the city of Canterbury, silk weaver, by his Will dated 6th January 1677, remaining in the registry of the Archdeacon's Court of Canterbury, proved 13th January 1678:

Gave 100 *l.* to be placed in the Chamber of the city of Canterbury, to be disposed of at the discretion of the Mayor and Chamberlain of the said city for the time being, and the two eldest Aldermen to 10 poor tradesmen, freemen of the said city; (that is to say) to each 10 *l.* a piece, to remain in their hands for ten years without paying interest, they giving good security for the repayment of it at the end of 10 years, and so to remain and continue to be disposed of in the same manner from time to time for ever.

Present state of this gift: 10 *l.* lent on bond, dated 1705, June 18th; 70 *l.* in the Chamberlain's hands.

**John Whitfield's Gift:**—John Whitfield, late of the city of Canterbury, gentleman, by his Will, bearing date 23d March 1687, proved 9th April 1692, and remaining in the registry of the Consistory Court of Canterbury, directed 150 *l.* to be paid unto the Chamber of the said city of Canterbury by his executors, to be lent out to poor tradesmen, freemen of the said city, in parcel of 25 *l.* a piece, gratis for five years, but no longer, nor twice to one man, upon such surety as the house of Burghmote should approve of, and so to continue to be lent out and taken in for ever.

Present state of this gift: 25 *l.* lent on bond, dated 1705, August 23d; 150 *l.* in the Chamberlain's hands.

**Clement Barling's Gift:**—Clement Barling, late of Horton near Chatham, gentleman, by his Will, dated 14th April 1668, proved in the Court of the Archdeacon of Canterbury 21st March 1670:

Devised one annuity or yearly rent of 3 *l.* to be paid unto the Mayor and Chamber of the city of Canterbury for ever, to be paid yearly upon the 1st September or within 10 days after, to the following uses; 30 *s.* thereof to be paid unto the six widows who should for the time being inhabit or dwell in the house which one Mr. Cogan, late of Canterbury, gave for a dwelling to six ministers' widows, and is situate and being in or near the parish of Saint Peter, in the said city, to be equally divided betwixt the said six widows, or so many as should dwell there for the time being the day following the receipt thereof, and the other 30 *s.* towards the perpetual yearly repair of the said house and buildings thereunto belonging, as the said mayor or widows for the time being, should see cause, willing unto the said mayor for the time being and widows for the time being or either of them, or their or either of their assigns, full power of distress. And he willed the said annuity of 3 *l.* to be issuing out of his lands in Denge Marsh for ever, if the said house should continue to be an habitation or dwelling for six such widows of ministers, but if it should cease to be such a dwelling, then said annuity to cease.

This gift is yearly received and paid according to the directions of the above Will.

**John Watson's Gift:**—John Watson the elder, by his last Will, dated in 1633, (says Mr. Hasted), gave unto the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury and their successors for ever:

Two messuages or tenements and gardens, with their appurtenances, situate in the parish of Saint Margaret, in the said city of Canterbury.

And also, one piece of land containing by estimation one acre, with the appurtenances, lying near and without the walls of the city of Canterbury aforesaid, and near unto Saint Mildred's.

Mildred's churchyard there, which said messuages and parcel of land he held of the King's Majesty, in fee farm, for the yearly rent of 11s. 2d. for the said two messuages, and 12d. yearly for the said parcel of land :

Upon trust to employ the rents and profits of the said messuages and land (excepting such charges as thereafter limited to be paid out of the same) in providing yearly for ever good russet cloth to make gowns for the poor, aged impotent and decrepit persons inhabiting within the said city of Canterbury, within the several parishes therein named.

The said poor people to whom the said gowns should be given, to be at the election of the mayor of the said city of Canterbury, and four of the ancientest aldermen in seniority of the said city for the time being for ever.

And he willed that the Chamberlain of the said city for the time being for ever, should have power to demise the said premises for three years, after those three years ended for other three years, and so continue demising and leasing the same in that manner and not otherwise for ever, to be let for the best yearly rent that might be truly made thereof without fine.

The Chamberlain to receive the rents and provide the gowns.

And he willed that the messuages should be kept in repair by the said Chamberlain, with part of the rents and revenues thereof.

Present state of this Charity :

House let on lease to William Bedwell, of the city of Canterbury, cordwainer, for 14 years from 11th October 1825, yearly rent, 36*l*.

Land let on lease to John Fortune, for 14 years from 25th March 1830, yearly rent, 6*l*.

The rents applied in providing gowns as directed by the said Will. The tenant of the said messuage keeping it in repair.

*John Webb's Gift*:—By Indenture made the 30th June, 34 Elizabeth, between the Mayor and Commonalty of the city of Canterbury, on the one part, and the Master, Fellowship and Wardens of the Company of Mercers within the city of London, and Bartholomew Barnes, citizen and mercer of London, and Rowland Backhouse, citizen and mercer of London, executors of the Testament and last Will of John Webb, late citizen and mercer of London, deceased, on the other part:

Reciting, That the said John Webb did, by his last Will and Testament, in writing, dated 28th January 1588, bequeath to the poor people in Canterbury, 50*l*., and reciting, that the said executors had paid unto the Chamberlain of the said city, to the use of the said Mayor and Commonalty, 50*l*., to be paid and employed to the benefit and behoof of the poor within the said city of Canterbury.

Then said Mayor and Commonalty covenanted always to pay by the hands of the Chamberlain 5*l*. yearly, for ever, unto 20 poor folk then inhabiting, and that thereafter should inhabit within the liberties of the said city, by the Mayor of the said city for the time being, and four of the Aldermen that had been Mayors, if there be so many, (if not) by the Mayor and so many Aldermen as had been Mayors, to be nominated; the said poor folk to be paid 5s. yearly a piece by even portions quarterly. The sum of 5*l*. is regularly paid by the Chamberlain in sums of 5s. a piece to poor women.

*Sir Thomas White's Charity*:—For the use of young men, freemen and traders in the City of Canterbury, to be lent out to them in parcels of 25*l*. each, for ten years, without interest, they to give one or more sureties, as the Mayor and Commonalty of Canterbury shall think sufficient, to repay said 25*l*. at the expiration of the ten years, to be lent out again, to the same intent and purposes.

Present state of this Charity, 1,095*l*. 0s. 6d., of which 912*l*. 10s. lent out on bonds in sums of 25*l*. each, and 182*l*. 10s. 6d. in the hands of the Chamberlain.

Memorandum.—That by a certain Indenture tripartite, bearing date 1st July 1586, made between the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the City of Bristol of the one part, and the President and the Scholars of the College of St. John Baptist, founded in the University of Oxford by Sir Thomas White, Knight and Alderman of London, on the second part, and the Master and Wardens of the Merchant Tailors of the fraternity of Saint John Baptist, in the City of London, on the third part, containing the devise of said Thomas White, of 104*l*. to 24 several Cities, Companies and Towns.

The Mayor and Commonalty of Bristol covenant on the feast of St. Bartholomew, 1580, to pay unto the Master and Wardens of the Merchant Tailors in London 104*l*.

To the intent that at Michaelmas then next, 100*l*. be paid to four young men of the Merchant Tailors' Company, in 25*l*. a piece for ten years, &c. and to continue to place out the same; the remaining 4*l*. to be employed by the said Master and Wardens, by the advice of the most part of the Assistants and Counsellors of the said Merchant Tailors for the time being, as to them should be thought good, for the pains to be taken in and about the receipt and payments of the said 100*l*.

The like Gift of 104*l*. to Canterbury, &c. and covenant to pay yearly 104*l*. to said Cities, Companies and Towns, in rotation for ever.

Thomas

**Thomas Paramore's Gift:**—Thomas Paramore, late of Monkton, in the Isle of Thanet, in the County of Kent, esquire, by his Will, dated 22d December 1636, proved at Canterbury 19th December 1637—

Gave to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Canterbury 100 *l.* to be lent to five poor Shopkeepers of the said city freely, on good security, to repay the same at the end of five years; the said poor Shopkeepers, with the consent of the Mayor and Aldermen, to be appointed by his nephew and godson, Thomas Paramore, during his natural life, and after his decease by the House of Burghmote, or the greatest part of them for ever.

Present state of this Gift: 20 *l.* lent on Bond, dated March 2, 1694; 80 *l.* in the hands of the Chamberlain.

**Mary Masters's Gift:**—Mary Masters, formerly of the city of Canterbury, single woman, by her Will, gave (*inter alia*) to the poor of two Hospitals in Canterbury (naming them) five pounds a piece; as to her lands, she devised them to her nephew and heir-at-law, the defendant, Sir Harcourt Masters, but charged the same with the payment of the legacies above-mentioned, and made him her executor; afterwards her mother died, by which a considerable increase of personal estate came to her; and thereupon she made a Codicil, thereby giving several pecuniary legacies to several to whom she had before given legacies, by her Will, many of which legacies were larger than what were given to them by her Will, and gave 5 *l.* per annum to all and every the Hospitals (without saying where the Hospitals were), and left annuities to several of the pecuniary legatees in the Will, &c.

Her Codicil was not attested by any witness, and so was admitted could charge no land; it was also admitted that both her real and personal estate were deficient in value to pay the legacies and annuities given by her Will and Codicil. The defendant, Sir Harcourt, proved her Will and Codicil; and upon a bill brought for the payment of several of the legacies to several of the plaintiffs, it was decreed (*inter alia*)—

As to the 5 *l.* per annum to all and every the Hospitals, it appearing that the Testatrix lived in Canterbury for many years, and died there, and that she took notice by her Will of two Canterbury Hospitals, this Charity was held not to be void for the uncertainty, but to have been intended for all the Hospitals in Canterbury.

Sir Harcourt Masters, being one of the Directors of the South Sea Company, in the year 1720, by an Act of Parliament made in the seventh year of the reign of King George the first, intituled, An Act for raising Money upon the estates of the late Sub-Governor, Deputy-Governor, Directors, Cashier, Deputy Cashier and Accountant of the South Sea Company, and of John Aislabie and James Craggs, esquires, towards making good the great loss and damage sustained by the Company, &c. his estate became vested in trustees.

In or about the year 1737, the money paid by the trustees of the forfeiting Directors' estates out of the estate of Sir Harcourt Masters, on account of the annuities, was laid out in the purchase of 163 *l.* 16 *s.* 3 *d.* Old South Sea Annuities, which were transferred to Dr. John Lynch, Dean of Canterbury, and John Knowler, esquire, the Recorder of the city, as trustees for the hospitals.

In the year 1738, 11 *l.* 3 *s.* 10 *d.* of the said 163 *l.* 16 *s.* 3 *d.* was annihilated, being 6 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* per cent., upon which annihilation was received the sum of 11 *l.* 3 *s.* 10 *d.*

In 1740, this 11 *l.* 3 *s.* 10 *d.* was replaced by the purchase of the like sum in Old South Sea Annuities, in the names of the said Dr. John Lynch and John Knowler, which cost 12 *l.* 11 *s.* 1 *d.* and the purchase-money exceeding the money received upon the annihilation, the deficiency was taken out of the money then received for dividends.

The said John Knowler received the interest of the Old South Sea Annuities from time to time, and paid one-sixth to the hospital of Saint John, another sixth to the hospital of East-bridge, another sixth to that of Maynard, another sixth to that of Jesus, another sixth to that of Smith, and the remaining sixth to that of Cogan.

Dr. John Lynch being dead, and John Knowler being the surviving trustee, he, upon Tuesday the 16th day of June 1761, being present in the burghmote, proposed to transfer the said 163 *l.* 16 *s.* 3 *d.* to the Mayor and Commonalty of the city of Canterbury, as trustees for the said hospitals, which proposal being accepted by the court, he, the said John Knowler, did afterwards transfer the said stock into the name of the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city accordingly.

Present state of this charity, 163 *l.* 16 *s.* 3 *d.* Three per cent. Old South Sea Annuities; yearly interest, 4 *l.* 18 *s.* 2 *d.* received and paid in equal sixths to—

Saint John's Hospital, East Bridge Hospital, Maynard's and Cotton's Hospital, Jesus Hospital, Ann Smith's Hospital, Cogan's Hospital.

**James Hielt's Gift:**—James Hielt, late of the city of Canterbury, gentleman, by Will dated 23d December 1794, and proved in London 4th May 1798, gave unto the Mayor and Commonalty of the city of Canterbury and their successors, 200 *l.* capital stock in the Four per centum Consolidated Annuities in the Bank of England, upon trust that they, the said Mayor and Commonalty and their successors for ever, should receive the yearly dividends, interest and produce of the said 200 *l.* capital stock as the same should from time to time become due and payable, and should lay out and dispose of such yearly dividends, interest and produce in the purchase of great coats, of woollen cloth, to be given away and disposed of about Christmas yearly to poor, aged and decrepit men above the age of fifty years, inhabiting

ing in the parish of Saint Mildred aforesaid, in the said city of Canterbury; such poor men to whom the said great coats shall be given as aforesaid to be at the election and nomination of the Mayor of the said city of Canterbury, and the four eldest Aldermen in seniority of the same city for the time being yearly for ever.

And the said testator willed that the said charity should not be given more than once to the same persons so long as there should be other proper objects for the same inhabiting in the said parish of Saint Mildred.

Power for the said Mayor and Commonalty to alter and change funds, or to invest said 200 *l.* upon any public or private security or securities.

Present state of this Charity, 200 *l.* Three and a half per cent. Annuities; yearly interest, 7 *l.* disposed of as directed by the Will.

*Mary Milles's Gift* :—In the last Will and Testament of Mary Milles, late of the precincts of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of Christ, Canterbury, in the county of Kent, spinster, deceased, dated the 1st day of May 1822, it is contained as follows :

Also I give and bequeath the sum of One thousand pounds, other part of the said capital stock (in the Three per centum Old South Sea Annuities), unto the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury and their successors, in trust, that the Mayor, the Recorder and such of the Aldermen who have been Mayor of the said city, and their successors for the time being, do and shall alter or change the said sum of One thousand pounds as they shall judge necessary, and from time to time as the same shall become due and payable, receive the dividends or other annual proceed thereof, or of the then funds or securities in which the said sum of One thousand pounds shall be invested, and pay, apply and dispose of the same half yearly for ever, in manner following; (that is to say) one half part thereof to be paid and divided unto and amongst such of the resident brothers and sisters of St. John's Hospital in Northgate, in the said city of Canterbury, as the said Mayor, Recorder and such of the Aldermen as aforesaid, or the major part of them, shall think fit; and the other half part thereof to be paid and divided unto and amongst such of the resident brothers and sisters of the Hospital of Saint Nicholas, Harbledown, in the said county of Kent, as the said Mayor, Recorder and such of the Aldermen as aforesaid, or the major part of them, shall think fit: Also, I give and bequeath the sum of Two hundred pounds, other part of the said capital stock, unto the said Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury and their successors, in trust, that the Mayor, the Recorder and such of the Aldermen who have been Mayor of the city, and their successors for the time being, do and shall alter or change the said sum of Two hundred pounds as they shall judge necessary, and from time to time as the same shall become due and payable, receive the dividends or other annual proceed thereof, or of the then funds or securities in which the sum of Two hundred pounds shall be invested, and pay, apply and dispose of the same to and for the use and benefit of the Charity Schools in the said city of Canterbury called the Blue Schools, and of which Schools the Mayor for the time being is one of the visitors.

Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury the 8th day of November 1822, by Thomas Starr the sole executor.

Present state of this Charity, 1,080 *l.* Three per cent. Old South Sea Annuities. Yearly interest, 32 *l.* 8*s.* received and paid as directed by the Will.

*John Whitehurst's Gift* :—In the last Will and Testament of John Whitehurst, late residing in the precincts of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of Christ, Canterbury, Butler to the Right honourable and Reverend Earl Nelson, bearing date the 12th day of December 1827, is (amongst other things) contained as follows; (that is to say)

I give and bequeath all and every my monies in the public stocks or funds of this kingdom unto John Saunders Bennett, of the city of Canterbury, brewer, and John Lancefield, of the same city, builder, their executors and administrators, upon trust, that they and the survivor of them, his executors and administrators, do and shall, if I shall not do it in my lifetime, and they think it advisable and best for the purposes of this my Will, and the trusts hereinafter mentioned, to sell out such and so much thereof as shall be in other stocks or funds than the Three pounds per cent. Consolidated Annuities, for the purpose of investing the same in the same stocks or annuities; and do and shall, from time to time, pay, apply and dispose of the yearly and other dividends and proceeds of the said trust monies, when and as the same shall grow due, and be received in the proportions and manner following; (that is to say) one full equal moiety or half part of the same dividends and proceeds unto my respected fellow servant, Sarah Cross, single woman, housekeeper to the said Earl Nelson, for and during the term of her natural life; and the other, or remaining one full equal moiety or half part of the same dividends and proceeds, unto my other fellow servant Sarah West, single woman, housemaid to the said Earl Nelson, for and during the term of her natural life: And from and after the several deceases of the said Sarah Cross and Sarah West, I give and bequeath all and every my said monies in the public stocks or funds of this kingdom, or the moiety thereof, as in the events aforesaid the case may be, unto the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury and their successors, upon trust, that they the said Mayor and Commonalty and their successors for ever, do and shall receive and take the yearly and other dividends and proceeds of the said trust monies, or of the moiety thereof,



thereof, as in the events aforesaid the case may be, as the same shall from time to time become due and payable, and do and shall pay, apply and dispose of such yearly dividends and proceeds on the third day of September in every year, being the anniversary of my birth, except the same happen to fall on Saturday or Sunday, and then on the following Monday, in sums of ten shillings a piece and no more, to poor, aged, infirm and decrepit men and women above the age of fifty years, and whose weekly earnings, whether of man and wife or both, do not exceed weekly the sum of twelve shillings, and who shall live, reside and inhabit within the precincts of the said cathedral of Canterbury, the precincts of the Archbishop's palace near and adjoining thereto, and the several parishes within the city of Canterbury and county of the same city, including that part of the parish of Saint Paul, which is in the county of Kent; such poor men and women to whom the said sum of ten shillings a-piece shall be given as aforesaid to be of sober life and conversation, and who shall not have been relieved by, from or out of the poor rate of any parish or place to which they shall or may respectively belong, for the space of one whole year at the least preceding every annual distribution of this my charity: And my will further is, that such poor men and women to whom the said annual gift or donation shall be given as aforesaid, shall be at the election of the Mayor, Recorder, Chamberlain and the three eldest Aldermen in seniority, of the same city, for the time being, yearly for ever.

The testator died December 29th, 1827.

Present state of this Charity, 1,042*l.* Three per cent. Consols. Yearly interest, 31*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* received and paid as directed by the Will.

*William Stains's Gift*:—William Stains, late of the parish of St. Peter, in the city of Canterbury, gentleman, by Will, dated 16th November 1824, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on the 5th day of January 1828:

Gave unto the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, and their successors, the sum of Two hundred pounds in the New Three pounds and a half per centum Annuities: upon trust, that the said Mayor and Commonalty, and their successors for ever, should receive the yearly dividends, interest and proceeds thereof, as the same should become due and payable, and should pay and apply the same equally unto and among the Brothers and Sisters for the time being, residing in the Hospital called or known by the several names of Eastbridge, Kingsbridge, or St. Thomas's Hospital, within the walls of the said city of Canterbury.

Power for the said Mayor and Commonalty to alter and change funds, and to invest the money upon any public or private real security or securities.

Present state of this Charity, 200*l.* Three and a half per cent. Annuities. Yearly interest, 7*l.*, received and applied as directed by the Will.

*Poor Priests' Hospital*:—By an Act of Parliament passed in the first year of the reign of his Majesty King George the Second, intituled, "An Act for erecting a Workhouse in the City of Canterbury, for employing and maintaining the Poor there, and for better enlightening the Streets of the said City:"

It was (amongst other things) enacted, That from and after the first day of May one thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight, there be and should be a Corporation to continue for ever within the said City of Canterbury, which Corporation should consist of the several persons thereafter mentioned; (that is to say) the Mayor, Recorder and Justices of the Peace of the said city and county of the same for the time being, and also twenty-eight other persons to be chosen out of the ablest and discreetest inhabitants of the parishes within the said city in manner thereafter mentioned.

And it was enacted, That the Mayor, Recorder and Justices of the Peace of the said city and county for the time being, and other the said twenty-eight persons appointed to be elected and constituted thereby, should be and be named and called "Guardians of the Poor of the City of Canterbury," and that they and their successors should be in name and fact one body politic and corporate in law, to all intents and purposes, and should have a perpetual succession.

And in the said Act of Parliament is contained as follows:

WHEREAS Elizabeth, Queen of England, by her letters patent under the Great Seal of England, bearing date at Westminster the fifth day of July, in the seventeenth year of her reign, did grant unto the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, and their successors for ever, all that the Hospital of Poor Priests within the said city, and all and singular the houses, buildings, edifices, gardens, orchards, arable lands, glebes, tenements, meadows, pastures, marshes, woods, underwoods, rents, services, and the reversion and reversions of all and singular the premises, and all and singular the profits, liberties, franchises, emoluments and hereditaments whatsoever, to the said hospital belonging or appertaining, or accepted, used, known, or reputed as part, parcel or member of the said hospital, as well within the said city of Canterbury as in the county of Kent, which said hospital, lands, tenements, hereditaments, and other the premises aforesaid, have been ever since held and enjoyed by the said Mayor and Commonalty for the time being, and have been by them made use of, and the rents and profits thereof applied and disposed of towards the maintenance and lodging of several poor Boys

of the said city, commonly called "Blue-coat Boys," and part of the said hospital, and the buildings thereof have been constantly made use of for a House of Correction in the said city, and the same is now commonly called or known by the name of the "Bridewell." And whereas the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury are willing and desirous that the said Hospital of Poor Priests, now commonly called or known by the name of "Bridewell" aforesaid, and all and singular the houses, buildings, edifices, gardens, orchards, courts, lands, woods, underwoods, tenements and hereditaments thereunto belonging, as well within the city of Canterbury as in the said county of Kent, or accepted or known or reputed as part, parcel or member of the said hospital, with their and every of their appurtenances, shall be settled and vested in and upon the said Corporation by this present Act made, erected and constituted, to the intent, that the same hospital, lands and premises, being under the entire order and disposal, direction and management of the said Corporation, may be of greater use, benefit and advantage to the Poor of the said city intended to be provided for, maintained and employed by the said Corporation: Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the hospital of the Poor Priests aforesaid, within the said city of Canterbury, now commonly called or known by the name of the "Bridewell," and all and singular the houses, buildings, edifices, courts, gardens, orchards, yards, lands, woods, underwoods, rents, revenues, tenements and hereditaments whatsoever to the said hospital belonging, or in anywise appertaining, as well within the said city of Canterbury as in the said county of Kent, or accepted or known or reputed as part, parcel or member of the said hospital, with their and every of their appurtenances, be, and are, and shall be by this Act, and from and after the first Tuesday in July one thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight, settled and vested in the Guardians of the Poor of the said city, hereby constituted and made a Corporation; To have and to hold the said Hospital of Poor Priests within the said city of Canterbury, now commonly called or known by the name of the Bridewell, and all and singular the houses, buildings, edifices, courts, gardens, orchards, yards, lands, woods, underwoods, rents, revenues, tenements, hereditaments and premises whatsoever, to the said hospital belonging or anywise appertaining, as well within the said city of Canterbury as in the said county of Kent, unto the said Guardians of the Poor of the said city of Canterbury and to their successors for ever, to their use:

Provided always nevertheless, and upon this condition, and under this trust and confidence, That the several Guardians of the Poor of the said city of Canterbury, and their successors, do for ever thenceafter manage, govern, order, direct and employ the said hospital, lands, tenements and premises, and the rents and profits thereof, to and for the benefit and advantage, maintenance and employment of the poor of the said city of Canterbury, intended to be provided for, maintained and employed by the said Corporation hereby erected, and so as will best answer that end and purpose:

Provided always, and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Guardians of the Poor of the said city of Canterbury, and their successors, shall and do for ever hereafter provide, maintain, repair and uphold, at their own proper costs and charges, a good and sufficient house of correction, within the precincts of the said hospital, to and for the use of the said city of Canterbury, as heretofore the house of correction there hath been used; and also shall and do, at their own costs and charges, maintain, provide and allow one or more master or masters of the said house of correction; the same house of correction to be the public house of correction for the said city of Canterbury, and county of the same city, to all intents and purposes in the law whatsoever:

Provided also, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Alderman and Aldermen of the ward of Worthgate in the said city, to hold and keep the court leets, law days, or other courts within the said hospital as such Alderman or Aldermen have used to do; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding:

Provided also, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Guardians of the Poor of the said city of Canterbury shall and do give bond, under their common seal, for themselves and their successors, to the said Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, and their successors, for ever hereafter to provide for, clothe and maintain sixteen poor boys of the said city of Canterbury, to be called "Blue-coat Boys," and furnish them with all manner of necessaries, and find them good and sufficient diet, lodging, and an apartment by themselves, separate from the other poor in the said hospital, in the said hereby erected Corporation vested, and cause them, the said sixteen boys, to be instructed in reading, writing and accompts, and put them and every of them respectively out apprentices, after they and every of them respectively shall have attained their respective ages of thirteen years, and before their said ages of fifteen years, and pay with every such boy so to be put out apprentice the sum of five pounds at least; which said sixteen poor boys, and every of them, shall be nominated, elected and appointed by the said Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury; and when and as often as there shall be any vacancy by death, or putting out apprentice of any one or more of the said sixteen poor boys, or by any other ways or means, the said

Mayor



Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, and their successors for ever, shall nominate and appoint other poor boy or boys of the said city to supply the said vacancy or vacancies.

Present state of this Charity:—Yearly rents 63*l.* 13*s.* applied in providing for, clothing, maintaining and instructing 16 Blue-coat Boys, and in putting them out apprentices, with premiums of 21*l.* each.

The residue goes to the general fund for the relief of the poor of the city of Canterbury.

The amount of the yearly rents is 63*l.* 13*s.*, besides part of the lands being in the guardians' own occupation for cultivation.

A Return is made of this Charity by order of the Mayor and Commonalty, although it is not now in their possession, order or disposition, they having merely the nomination and appointment of the 16 Blue-coat Boys.

*Bernard French's Gift*:—Extract from the Will of Bernard French, dated the 2d day of August 1584, and proved in London.

I ordain and appoint Mr. Thomas Oseley, of London, skinner, and John Webb, of London, mercer, my executors for the ordering and disposing of my worldly goods, which I esteem to be in debts, wares and money, between four and five hundred pounds current money of England, which I would have distributed by them in manner and form following: I give and bequeath to the poor people in Canterbury thirty pounds; item, I give more to the poor of Canterbury ten pounds; also, the three little tenements in the parish of Saint Mary Bredne, with condition that the same shall be let unto three poor folks, such as fear God, putting in sureties to repair them, free with rent, ten years, at the discretion of my executors.

Book, No. 2, 22d August, 29 Eliz.

At this Court of Burghmote, the common seal is put to an Indenture from the Mayor and Commonalty of Canterbury, to the Master Wardens and Fellowship of Skinners in London, touching the employment of Bernard French's legacy; and the bond in one hundred marks from the Mayor and Commonalty, to perform the covenants of that Indenture, was sealed at the same time.

OBSERVATION.—In the City Accounts, 30 and 31 Eliz. the Chamberlain charges the sum of four pounds, being the legacy of Bernard French, which, according to the meaning and intent of John Webb, his executor, is paid to sixteen poor people at five shillings a piece by quarterly payments. In the ensuing account the Chamberlain charges himself with having paid to sixteen poor folks, five shillings a piece, amounting to four pounds, arising from the sum of forty pounds paid of the legacy of Bernard French. Thirty-four and thirty-five Eliz. the Chamberlain's account contains a like charge, which he mentions to be the legacy of Bernard French, son of John French, late of this city, deceased; this sum of four pounds has ever since been regularly charged by the Chamberlain as his annual payment in sums of five shillings to sixteen poor women, and so continues to the present day.

*Catherine Benskin's Gift*:—Extract from the Will of Catherine Benskin, of Saint Mildred's, dated 19th August, 27th Elizabeth.

"Item: I will that my executors shall pay to the Maier and Cominaltie of the said cytty of Canterbury for the time being twenty pounds, of good and lawful money of England, within one yere next after my decease; and my will is, that the said Maier and Cominaltie of the same cytty for the time being shall with the said money, within one year next after the receipt thereof buy one tenement within the said city of Canterbury, or within the liberties of the same, and that the yearly profits and revenues of the said tenement shall be and remain to the use of the brothers and sisters of the hospital commonly called Mainard's Spittle, set and being within the said parish of Saint Mildred for ever; and my will is, that the said Maier and Cominaltie of the said city of Canterbury for the time being shall, upon the receipt of the said twenty pounds, be bound in writing obligatory to my executor, his heirs and assigns, in double the value thereof, either to bestow the same twenty pounds in manner and form as is aforesaid, and to the use as is aforesaid, or else to repay the same twenty pounds to my executor, or to his assigns, to the use of my said executor, his heirs and assigns, within one yere and a quarter next after the said receipt thereof."

*Purchase Deed*:—1588. By Indenture, dated 28th August, 30th Elizabeth, made between Thomas London, of the city of Canterbury, shoemaker, on the one part, and the Mayor and Commonalty of the said city of Canterbury, on the other part;

Reciting the above bequest of the said Catherine Benskin, and that the said Mayor and Commonalty intending the true performance of the said testament according to the true meaning of the said Catherine, had for the consideration of 27*l.* to the said Thomas London paid, agreed with the said Thomas for the purchasing of a messuage and premises thereafter described.

Then the said Thomas London did, for the consideration of the said 27 *l.* to him paid, give, grant, bargain and sell unto the said Mayor and Commonalty—

All that messuage, garden and other the appurtenances to the same belonging, situate in the said city, in the street there called Castle-street, in the parish of Saint Margaret's; to the messuage and yard and garden of William Bixe towards the south; to the orchard of the said William Bixe towards the west; to the tenement and garden of our sovereign lady the Queen, north, and to the said Castle-street, east.

To hold unto the said Mayor and Commonalty and their successors for ever.

This estate forms part of the possessions of the Brothers and Sisters of Maynard's Spital, and is leased by them by Indentures under their common seal, the same as their other estates, and they receive the rents and profits thereof.

March 1833.

John Nutt, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Canterbury.*

Thomas de Lasaux - - -	Gentleman.	William Jones - - - -	Draper and Tailor ;
Richard Frend - - -	Gentleman.		dead.
Mathew William Sankey	Brewer ; not acting.	George Frend - - - -	Wine Merchant ;
	Left Canterbury.		dead.
John Cooper - - - -	Surveyor.	William Homersham - -	Tanner.
James Sladden Browne -	Coachmaker.	Henry Cooper - - - -	Tanner.
Maver Cowtan - - -	Stationer.	Osborn Snoulten - - -	Banker.
James Warren - - - -	Silversmith.	Edward Kingsford - -	Banker.
Charles Pout - - - -	Auctioneer.	John Brent - - - - -	Miller.
John James Peirce - -	Solicitor; not acting.	Sampson Kingsford - -	Miller.

11th March 1833.

John Nutt, Town Clerk.

### CORPORATION OF CARLISLE.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Nature of Fund.	How acquired.	Purposes for which given.	How distributed and applied.
£.20 per annum, called the Corporation Charity.	Unknown - - -	Unknown - - - -	Paid quarterly to forty poor Widows of Freemen.
£.2. 10s. per annum, called Ridley's Charity.	Unknown - - -	Unknown - - - -	Distributed annually to fifty poor Persons.
£.2 per annum, called Woodle's Charity.	Unknown - - -	Unknown - - - -	Distributed annually to forty poor Persons.
£.36, Potts' Charity -	Bequeathed to the Corporation by Miss Mary Potts.	Upon trust, to distribute the interest yearly at Christmas among six poor Widows of Freemen, and six Spinsters of the age of forty years and upwards, Daughters of deceased Freemen, such Widows and Spinsters to be nominated by the Mayor.	Distributed according to the directions of Miss Potts' will.

18 Feb. 1833.

W. Nanson, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Carlisle.*

The Rev. Thomas Lowry - -	Clerk.	George Blamire - - - -	Esquire.
Thomas Blamire - - - -	Doctor of Medicine.	John Hodgson - - - -	Esquire.
Sir Joseph Dacre Appleby Gilpin	ditto.	William Hodgson - - - -	Solicitor.
		John Hodgson, of Bowness -	Esquire.

18th Feb. 1833.

W. Nanson, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF CARMARTHEN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

VESTED in the Mayor and Common Council of the said County of the Borough for the time being, in trust, viz.

1st. Under the Will of the late Rev. Father in God Morgan Owen, D.D. Bishop of Llandaff, bearing date the 14th Dec. 1644, his Lordship gave an annuity of £.20 to the Mayor and Common Council of Carmarthen, in trust, for the support of the Grammar School at Carmarthen, or to maintain apprentices of that town, to be paid out of the rectory of Saint Ishmael, in the said county, for ever.

The above annuity is regularly paid annually to the Master of the Grammar School at Carmarthen, who in consideration thereof instruct six boys, who are generally boys of the town, and which boys are invariably recommended by the Mayor and Common Councilmen, and they enjoy all the advantages of education, according to the intention of the original testator.

2d. There are two freehold dwelling-houses and premises situate in Saint Mary-street, in the said town of Carmarthen, one whereof, in the occupation of Grismond Williams, ironmonger, and of the yearly rent or value of £.35, or thereabouts, and the other in the occupation of Sarah Harvey, at the like yearly rent of £.35, or thereabouts; and were in former times devised or otherwise vested in the Mayor and Common Council of Carmarthen, in trust, for instructing six boys in grammar and navigation, for ever.

The Mayor and Common Council for the time being have the nomination of the schoolmaster, and the recommendation of the boys to be taken in and received under this foundation from time to time; and the master of the school is in receipt of the rents of such two houses and premises, and produces to him an annual income of between £.60 and £.70.

3d. There is also a freehold field or close of ground, containing about five acres, and called The Prisoners' Field, and being now of the yearly value of £.15, which, under an ancient deed, stands conveyed to and is vested in the Mayor and Common Council of the said borough for ever, in trust, to apply the rents and profits thereof in providing coals for the use of the poor prisoners confined in the gaols of the county of the borough of Carmarthen, during the winter months, for ever; and the same is accordingly regularly applied.

## AS TO THE ESTATES OF THE CORPORATION :

The Corporation of Carmarthen, viz. the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of Carmarthen, (under and by virtue of their ancient charters or letters patent, granted to the Corporation 17th May, 38 Hen. VIII., and 14th June, 2 Jas. I., and the charter of confirmation granted by his late Majesty King Geo. III., bearing date the 27th July 1764) are made one body corporate and politic, in deed and in name, by the name of "The Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the Borough of Carmarthen," and are enabled to take, purchase, receive, possess, manors, lands, tenements, rents, &c., and to give, grant, demise, assign and dispose of their manors, lands, tenements, &c.

Under these charters, the said Corporation, viz. the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty, conceive they are seised in fee of their ancient estates, which consist of divers messuages, burgages, lands, and all waste or common lands within the said county of the borough; and all tolls, markets, fairs, pitchings, and other perquisites; and as such have been accustomed to sell and convey, and have sold and conveyed, divers lands, hereditaments and premises, to a large amount; and they have now divers messuages, burgages, lands and hereditaments, the rental of which produces at this time about £.650 per annum. The purchase monies, and the rents, issues and profits of the said Corporation estates, are applied from time to time in the improvements of the town, repairing the bridge, roads, quays, wharfs, gaol, house of correction, and in paying the clergymen doing duty at the gaol, officers of the corporation, and constables, and other expenses, in regulating and improving the town and government of its police establishment, &c. &c.; and the disbursements and outgoings in such several matters generally exceed the receipts of the Corporation, who are generally in debt, and they are at this time much in debt, and not less than £.2,000 would now pay the debts of the Corporation; and it is apprehended they must again sell more of their Corporation property to pay their debts.

21 Feb. 1833.

W<sup>m</sup> Jones, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Carmarthen.

N. B.—THE Magistrates of the county of the Borough of Carmarthen are elected annually, by virtue of the Charter granted to the Corporation by his late Majesty King George the Third, in the third year of his reign, viz.:—

The Mayor of the Corporation is the Chief Magistrate of the Borough;

And six Peers or Justices of the Peace, annually chosen from among the most respectable resident Burgesses at Carmarthen;

And such are elected annually under the Charter, on the Monday next after Michaelmas in each year;

And none but Burgesses can be so elected.

## ANNUAL ELECTION for the last Twenty Years.

David Morris, Esq. Banker, } Mayor - - - }	1812	John George Philipps, Esq.	-	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
		David John Edwardes, Esq.	-	
		Charles Morgan, Esq. M.D.	-	
		Charles Morgan, Esq.	-	
		Mark Roch, Esq.	-	
		John Hughes, Esq. Merchant	-	

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

George Griffies Williams, Esq. Mayor - - - }	1813	John George Philipps, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - Charles Morgan, Esq. - Mark Roch, Esq. - William Morgan, Esq. - John Hughes, Merchant -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. Mayor - - - }	1814	John George Philipps, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. - John Hughes, Merchant - William Morgan, Esq. - Mark Roch, Esq. - Thomas Morris, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Charles Morgan, Esq. Mayor	1815	John George Philipps, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - John Hughes, Esq. Merchant - Mark Roch, Esq. - William Morgan, Esq. - Rev. Evan Holiday -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
John George Philipps, Esq. Mayor - - - }	1816	Charles Morgan, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - John Hughes, Merchant - Rev. Evan Holliday - William Morgan, Esq. - Mark Roch, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
John Hughes, Esq. Mayor	1817	Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - Charles Morgan, Esq. - William Morgan, Esq. - Mark Roch, Esq. - John George Philipps, Esq. - Rev. Evan Holliday, Clerk -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
John Williams Hughes, Esq. Mayor - - - }	1818	Charles Morgan, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - John George Philipps, Esq. - William Morgan, Esq. - John Hughes, Esq. - Nicholas Burnell Jones, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Charles Morgan, Esq. Mayor	1819	John George Philipps, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - John Hughes, Esq. Merchant - William Morgan, Esq. - Thomas Morris, Esq. - David John Edwardes, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
John Hughes, Esq. Mayor	1820	John George Philipps, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. M. D. - William Morgan, Esq. - Thomas Morris, Esq. Banker - David John Edwardes, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Thomas Morris, Esq. Mayor	1821	Charles Morgan, Esq. - David John Edwardes, Esq. - William Morgan, Esq. - John Hughes, Esq. - John George Philipps, Esq. - Edward Davids, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Charles Morgan, Esq. Mayor	1822	David John Edwardes, Esq. - John Hughes, Esq. - Robert Waters, Esq. - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - David William Stephenson, Esq. Solicitor. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
David John Edwardes, Esq. Mayor - - - }	1823	David John Edwardes, jun. Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. - Robert Waters, Esq. - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Daniel Prytherch, Esq. Mayor - - - }	1824	David John Edwardes, sen. Esq. - Charles Morgan, Esq. - Robert Waters, Esq. - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - David John Edwardes, jun. Esq. -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

Robert Waters, Esq. Mayor	1825	Charles Morgan, Esq. - - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - David John Edwardes, jun. Esq. - - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - - George Baile, Esq. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Grismond Philipps, Esq. Mayor	1826	Charles Morgan, Esq. - - Robert Waters, Esq. - - David John Edwardes, jun. Esq. - - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - George Baile, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Aaron Timmins, Esq. Mayor	1827	The Hon. William Henry Yel- erton - - - - Charles Morgan, Esq. - - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - - David John Edwardes, jun. Esq. - - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - Robert Waters, Esq. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
John Bowen, Esq. M. D. Mayor	1828	The Hon. William Henry Yel- erton - - - - Charles Morgan, Esq. - - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - - David John Edwardes, Esq. - - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
David Jones, Esq. Mayor	1829	Charles Morgan, Esq. - - David John Edwardes, Esq. - - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - - John Bowen, Esq. M. D. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
David John Edwardes, Esq. Mayor	1830	Charles Morgan, Esq. - - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - - Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - - John Bowen, Esq. M. D. - - David Jones, Esq. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Daniel Prytherch, Esq. Mayor	1831	Charles Morgan, Esq. - - David John Edwardes, Esq. - - Grismond Philipps, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - - David Jones, Esq. - - John Bowen, Esq. M. D. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.
Grismond Philipps, Esq. Mayor	1832	Daniel Prytherch, Esq. - - David Davies, Esq. - - John Banks Davies, Esq. - - Henry Lawrence, Esq. M. D. - - John Edward Saunders, Esq. - - Aaron Timmins, Esq. - -	Peers, and Justices of the Peace.

21 February 1833.

W. Jones, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF CARDIFF.

CHARITABLE FUNDS - - None.

Other Property, acquired under various Grants, Charters and Leases :

	£.	s.	d.
Freehold and Leasehold Estates, per annum	283	5	4
Tolls received from Michaelmas 1831 to Michaelmas 1832	86	3	1 ½
Harbour Dues, for the like period	396	17	7
	£. 766	6	- ½

The Receipts of the Corporation are wholly distributed and applied in the general improvement of the Town, the repairs and support of the Town Hall and Prison, in payment of the Town Clerk, Serjeants at Mace, Hall-keeper, Water Bailiffs, Town Crier, Clerks of the Market, Police and other Constables of the town, and in subscriptions to the Schools, Dispensary, and other institutions within the town.

W<sup>m</sup> Jenkins, Deputy Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Cardiff.*

Name.	Profession or Trade.	Name.	Profession or Trade.
Henry Hollier -	Esquire.	Thomas Charles -	Esquire.
William Prichard -	Gentleman.	John Bird -	Gentleman.
James Capper -	Esquire.	John Thackwell -	Silversmith.
Thomas Morgan -	Gentleman.	John Bradley -	Gentleman.
John Wood, sen. -	Attorney at Law.	Whitlock Nicholl -	Esquire.
Edward Thomas -	Gentleman.	John Wick Bennet -	ditto.
John Wood, jun. -	Attorney at Law.	John Homfray -	ditto.

*W<sup>m</sup> Jenkins*, Deputy Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF CHESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*John Vernon's Legacy.*—John Vernon, merchant and citizen of London, by his Will, dated in 1615, left 800*l.* to the Mayor and Citizens of Chester to purchase lands, the rents thereof to be employed yearly for ever to 10 decayed Freemen, 60 years old, 4*l.* a piece yearly, and a gown every three years.

	£.	s.	d.
For an annual Sermon -	-	-	10
To the poor Prisoners in the Northgate and Castle, to each place -	-	-	6
For a Banquet in the Pentice -	-	-	1

The Corporation of Chester distribute and pay annually the sum of 40*l.* to 10 decayed Freemen, and also give a gown to each of these 10 Freemen once every three years.

The Town Clerk does not know of any lands being purchased with this 800*l.*, and infers that the payment of 40*l.* per annum is the interest of the 800*l.*

*Richard Harrison's Legacy.*—Richard Harrison, by his Will, dated 22 March 1685, devised to his executors, John Sparks, Richard Oulton and Bradford Thorp, and their heirs, a messuage and buildings, to be by them sold, and the money to be laid out in the purchase of lands, and the profits to go to maintain almsmen after the manner of Mr. John Vernon's almsmen, and the interest to be paid until a convenient purchase could be found out.

The Corporation pay annually to four almsmen 16*l.* and provide each with a gown every three years.

*Richard Bird's Legacy.*—Richard Bird, who died 1681, of Sevil, in Spain, merchant, by Will, bequeathed to the Corporation of Chester 650*l.*, to be disposed of for the relief of six poor aged citizens, to be qualified, chosen, apparelled and provided for according to the rules and directions set down in Mr. Vernon's Will for his almsmen.

The Corporation pay annually to six poor aged citizens the sum of 24*l.* and provide a gown for each every three years.

*Richard King's Legacy.*—Mr. Richard King, by his Will, dated in 1666, gave a house in Northgate-street, Chester, to the Mayor of Chester, the rents for the use of two decayed freemen, to be governed and apparelled according to the directions of Mr. Vernon's Will; that is, 4*l.* a year each, and the remainder of the rents to go to the public stock of the city for ever.

The Corporation pay to two decayed freemen 4*l.* each per annum, and provide a new gown for each every three years.

*Thomas Williams' Legacy.*—Thomas Williams, by his Will, dated 1736, gave to the Mayor and Citizens of Chester the sum of 100*l.* upon trust, to pay the interest to a poor decayed tradesman of the said city, with a gown and badge; to be elected the same as Mr. Vernon's almsmen.

The sum of 4*l.* is annually paid to a poor decayed tradesman, and a gown provided once every three years.

*John Lancaster's Legacy.*—John Lancaster, by his Will, dated 1675, gave and devised all his lands, &c. in Thordley, Hope Owen or elsewhere, in the county of Flint, after the expiration of 14 years from the time of his death, to the Mayor and Citizens of Chester for ever, for the intent that the Mayor and Sheriffs for the time being should set out the said lands, and out of the rents and profits thereof pay unto six decayed freemen of Chester, to be chosen and continued by the Mayor and Sheriffs for the time being, the sum of 36*l.* yearly, at Michaelmas and Lady-day, by equal portions, for ever; the charge of the gowns to be deducted if the rents would so extend, or else to abate proportionably; and upon the death of any of the said poor men, the Mayor and Sheriffs to choose another so qualified as aforesaid in his stead; and the overplus of the said rents, if any, to be bestowed yearly in a collation between the said Mayor and Sheriffs, and such friends as they should invite.

The Corporation pay 24*l.* annually to six almsmen, and provide a gown for each of them once in three years.

*Thomas*

*Thomas Green's Legacy.*—Thomas Green, by Indenture, made in the 44th Elizabeth, conveyed his house to trustees, upon trust, to pay 20 poor householders, freemen and freemen's widows, on Good Friday yearly, 6s. 8d. each, and 6l. 13s. 4d. to the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council for a banquet.

The sum of 6l. is distributed upon each Good Friday, and 1l. to the poor of Saint Oswald's parish.

*John Brereton's Legacy.*—John Brereton, by his Will, dated 1631, gave his close, by Flookersbrook, called Flookersbrook Field, to the Mayor and Citizens of Chester, for ever, in trust, to pay yearly the several sums following:

	£.	s.	d.
To 20 poor Persons of Saint John's	-	1	-
To 20 - ditto - of the parish of Barrow	-	1	-
To 10 - ditto - of St. Werburgh's	-	10	-
To 10 - ditto - of Trinity	-	10	-
To 10 - ditto - of St. Peter's	-	10	-
To 10 - ditto - of St. Mary's	-	10	-
To 5 - ditto - of St. Michael's	-	5	-
To 5 - ditto - of St. Bridget's	-	5	-
To 10 - ditto - of Tarvin Town	-	10	-

These sums are regularly paid annually.

*Valentine Broughton's Legacy.*—The following sums are annually paid by the Corporation, and are called Valentine Broughton's Legacy:

	£.	s.	d.
To the Poor of 12 wards, 13s. 4d. each	-	8	-
To the Mayor and Sheriff's Officers	-	1	-
Paid towards repairing the Highways at Shochlach	-	2	-
To the Poor of ditto	-	10	-
To the Prisoners in the Castle	-	13	4
To - ditto - in the Northgate	-	1	6
Paid towards repairing Yewlington-lane	-	3	-
Paid for Bread for the Poor of Holt and Iscoed	-	5	-
For Land Tax	-	1	-
To the Schoolmaster of Wrexham	-	10	-
To the Mayor, to be distributed to 10 Freemen's Daughters	-	5	-
	£.	37	10

It is supposed this money arises from freehold land, and land which was leasehold in Broughton's life-time, in the counties of Denbigh and Flint, which Broughton (who was living about the year 1600) conveyed or devised to the Corporation.

*Hugh Offley's Legacy.*—Hugh Offley, by his Will, dated 14 May 1594, bequeathed to the Mayor and citizens of Chester a rent-charge of 5l. issuing out of two dwelling-houses in Chester, and to be employed as directed by a Deed bearing equal date with that his Will, and if not paid to be forfeited.

The Corporation pay annually as follows, which is called Offley's Legacy:		£.	s.	d.
To the Minister of Saint Peter's Parish	-	-	1	5
To the Poor of the same Parish	-	-	3	15
		£.	5	-

The Deed mentioned in Offley's Will is not in existence, but it is inferred that the appropriation of this five pounds is agreeable to the same. He likewise gave and bequeathed to the said Mayor and Citizens 200l. in money, to be put out to four honest young men (two merchants and two retailers) for three years successively for ever at three per cent., and the six pounds per annum to be distributed as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
To the Prisoners in the City	-	1	10
Mayor and Aldermen	-	10	-
Sword Bearer	-	5	-
Clerk of the Pentice	-	5	-
Mayor and Sheriff's Officers	-	10	-
The Poor	-	1	10
And to be disposed by the Mayor and Citizens	-	1	10

It is supposed this money has been lost years ago by lending it to the merchants and retailers, as there is no trace of it in the corporation books.

*Richard Bavand's Legacy.*—A sum of 20s. is annually distributed by the Mayor amongst 20 poor persons. How this legacy arises the town clerk does not know.

**Richard Sneyd's Legacy.**—This person, by Will, dated 15th November 1773, gave to his executors therein named the sum of 120 *l.*, the interest upon trust for a poor man's gown. This legacy was paid into the treasury of the corporation, and the corporation pay annually to a poor man 4 *l.* and provide for him a new gown every third year.

**Scasebrick's Legacy.**—Mr. Scasebrick, by Will (date unknown) left 100 *l.*, the interest thereof to be applied for a gowmsman, to be appointed in the same manner as Mr. Vernon's are appointed.

The Corporation pay annually to a poor man 4 *l.* and provide for him a new gown every third year.

**Ledsham's Legacy.**—This person, by Will, dated 27th May 1784, gave to his executors therein appointed 105 *l.* upon trust, to pay the same to the Corporation for the benefit of a poor gowmsman.

The Corporation pay annually 4 *l.* to a poor gowmsman, and provide for him a new gown every third year.

**Charles Boswell's Legacy.**—Alderman Boswell, by Will, dated 18th February 1784, gave to his executors therein named 120 *l.* upon trust, to pay the same to the treasurer of the corporation for the benefit of a poor gowmsman.

The Corporation pay annually 4 *l.* to a poor gowmsman, and provide for him a new gown every third year.

**Thomas Cotgreave's Legacy.**—Thomas Cotgreave, Esq., who died in 1790, by his Will gave to the corporation 120 *l.* to pay annually to the five eldest poor men, appointed after the manner of the late Mr. Vernon's Will, the sum of 1 *l.* each in four quarterly payments.

This sum is regularly paid.

**James Broadhurst's Legacy.**—Mr. Broadhurst, by Will, gave to the mayor and citizens 100 *l.* provided they would accept the same, and pay annually for ever to four poor men 5 *s.* per quarter.

The Corporation pay annually 4 *l.* to four poor men by 5 *s.* each per quarter.

**Henry Hesketh's Legacy.**—Mr. Henry Hesketh, by his Will, dated in 1787, gave 120 *l.* to the treasurer of the corporation to pay the interest towards furnishing a poor man with a gown, and in supporting him as the late Mr. Vernon's almsmen are clothed and supported.

Four pounds is annually paid to a poor man, and a gown given every three years.

**Joseph Crewe's Legacy.**—Joseph Crewe, by his Will, dated 19th April 1799, gave to the mayor and citizens 120 *l.*, to be applied in the maintenance of an aged almsman, to be qualified, elected and chosen according to the directions of Mr. Vernon's Will; and by Codicil, dated 18th July 1800, gave 600 *l.* to the said mayor and citizens, in trust, to pay 30 *l.* a year, by quarterly payments, equally among the six chapel-yard widows, and directed the said legacies to be paid within one month after his decease. He died 12th January 1801.

Four pounds are paid annually to an almsman, and a gown given every three years, and 30 *l.* paid annually to the six chapel-yard widows.

**William Lewis's Benefaction.**—Mr. William Lewis, on the 1st February 1808, transferred into the names of the mayor and citizens of the city of Chester, 200 *l.* Three per cent. Consols, in trust, to pay the dividends thereof, on the 10th February in every year, for ever, unto the widow of a freeman of the said city, having three children under the age of 12 years, standing in need of pecuniary assistance, and never having received relief from any parish. But if a widow of such description cannot be found, to pay the same dividends to any deserving widow of a freeman, being 66 years old or upwards, in straitened circumstances, and never having received such relief as aforesaid.

These dividends are annually paid as directed.

**Robert Jones's Legacy.**—Mr. Robert Jones, by his Will, dated January 1810, gave to the corporation of Chester the sum of 120 *l.* for an aged almsman.

The sum of 4 *l.* is annually paid, and a gown given once every three years.

**Thomas Rathbone's Legacy.**—Thomas Rathbone, by his Will, dated 17th April 1815, gave to the corporation of Chester 120 *l.*, the interest to be paid to an aged almsman, to be elected according to the directions of Mr. Vernon's Will.

The sum of 4 *l.* is annually paid to an aged almsman, and a gown given once every three years.

**Thomas Bradford's Legacy.**—Thomas Bradford, by his Will, dated 1820, gave to the corporation of Chester 120 *l.*, the interest to be paid to an aged almsman, to be elected according to the directions of Mr. Vernon's Will.

The sum of 4 *l.* is annually paid to an aged almsman, and a gown given once every three years.

**John Jones's Legacy.**—John Jones, by his Will, dated 16th September 1822, bequeathed 100 *l.* to the mayor and sheriffs of the city of Chester, upon trust, to distribute the yearly interest amongst five of the oldest gowmsmen next in rotation.

This money was purchased in the Three per cent. Consols, and the dividends distributed accordingly.

Sir



**Sir Thomas White's Benefaction.**—Sir Thomas White, merchant tailor, Lord Mayor of London in 1554, gave 100*l.* to be paid once in every 24 years, for ever, to Chester, to be lent 10 years, gratis, to poor freemen, especially clothiers.

There is no account of this money having been paid to the corporation of Chester since 1585.

**Owen Jones's Charity.**—Owen Jones, of Chester, butcher, by his Will, dated 1658, gave and bequeathed to the poor of every Company in the city of Chester, from year to year, orderly as they were wont to be ranked at Midsummer Shew, the tanners being first, and so forward, until all in their turns had enjoyed the benefit intended, and then to begin again, and so proceed from year to year, for ever, the rents and profits of his estate at Minera, and a mortgage therein mentioned, to be employed for the use of the poor of the said companies, from year to year, for ever, excepting 5*l.* a year, which he gave and bequeathed to the mayor and sheriffs of the said city for the time being, for their care in seeing that part of his Will well and truly performed.

About 70 years ago, a lead-mine was discovered on this property, and the sum of 10,640*l.* was accumulated. This sum was lent to the corporation, upon the security of their property in Chester. In the year 1802, this property, and the appropriation of it, became the subject of a Chancery suit, and a decree of the court was obtained at the instance of the corporation, for the better appropriation of the rents and interest. These, the rents and interest, have since been annually distributed by the mayor and sheriffs, in conformity with the decree.

**Dame Elizabeth Booth's Legacy.**—The corporation pay annually,

	£.	s.	d.
To the parish of Boden	5	—	—
Mottram in Longdeudale	2	10	—
Ashton-under-Line	2	10	—
Hospital Almshouses	—	5	—
Parish of Budworth	5	—	—
Parish of Wilmslow	2	10	—

Making together the sum of - - - £. 17 15 -

How this money arises, and why paid, cannot now be ascertained.

**Saint John's Hospital.**—King Charles II., by charter, granted to the corporation of Chester and their successors, for ever, the office of Master or Keeper of this Hospital of Saint John the Baptist, in the city of Chester, together with the lands and hereditaments appertaining to the same, to hold and enjoy the same for ever.

The corporation, upon the site where it is supposed this hospital stood, have erected six dwelling-houses, which are inhabited by the widows of freemen, elected by the corporation, and paid yearly the sum of 8*l.* 13*s.* each.

*Jn<sup>o</sup> Finchett Maddock, Town Clerk.*

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Chester.

Names.	Profession or Trade.	Names.	Profession or Trade.
Sir Watkin Williams Wynn	Baronet.	Robert Morris	Painter.
Sir John Cotgreave	Knight.	William Moss	Merchant.
Thomas Francis	Esquire.	Titus Chaloner	Currier.
John Williamson	Esquire.	George Harrison	Iron-founder.
Richard Tyrwhitt	Esquire, Recorder.	John Fletcher	Printer.
John Swarbreck Rogers	Esquire.		

It is supposed the Return required is of the Magistrates now living; if the names of those dying during the last twenty years are also required, this Return must be amended.

*Jn<sup>o</sup> Finchett Maddock, Town Clerk.*

### CORPORATION OF CHICHESTER.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of Chichester have no Charitable Funds whatever under their control, or at their disposal. With respect to their other property, it consists (independently of Quay and Market Tolls, granted to them by their Charter) of lands or houses, at or in the neighbourhood of the city, which (with the exception of a few houses purchased within the last few years, for the improvement of the city) have been in their possession for centuries. From whom, or by what means originally acquired, I am unable to state.

The following is an Account of the average Income of the Corporation for the last Twenty Years:

	£.	s.	d.
Average Amount of Fines on the renewal of Leases, per Annum	160	—	—
Amount of Quit-rents	96	1	2
Average Amount of Quay Dues	295	18	6
Average Amount of the Market Tolls	76	6	6

The Corporation is indebted to a large amount, which has been raised, to be expended on public improvements.

25 February 1833.

*John Price, Town Clerk.*

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Chichester.*

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| <p>1812: Richard Merricks, Esq. Mayor.<br/> William Cha<sup>s</sup> Newland, Merchant.<br/> John Murray - - Wine Merchant.<br/> John Blagden - - Gentleman.<br/> Richard Murray - - Banker.</p> <p>1813: Thomas Trew, Common Brewer, Mayor.<br/> The said Richard Merricks.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - John Blagden.<br/> - Richard Murray.</p> <p>1814: Samuel Cobby, Wine Merchant, Mayor.<br/> The said Thomas Trew.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - John Blagden.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades, Attorney at Law.</p> <p>1815: Sir George Murray, knt. Admiral, Mayor.<br/> The said Samuel Cobby.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Richard Murray.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1816: Miles Rowe, Esq. Mayor.<br/> The said Sir George Murray.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1817: Thomas Rhoades, Attorney at Law, Mayor.<br/> The said Miles Rowe.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - John Quantock, Esq.</p> <p>1818: James Powell, Collector of Customs, Mayor.<br/> The said Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - John Quantock.</p> <p>1819: Charles Hewitt Smith, Esq. Mayor.<br/> The said James Powell.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1820: William Ridge, Mercer, Mayor.<br/> The said Charles Hewitt Smith.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1821: William Humphry, Common Brewer, Mayor.<br/> The said William Ridge.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1822: Charles Scrase Dickins, Esq. Mayor.<br/> The said William Humphry.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> | <p>1823: Will<sup>m</sup> Cha<sup>s</sup> Newland, Merchant, Mayor.<br/> The said Charles Scrase Dickins.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1824: Harry Comper, Mercer, Mayor.<br/> The said William Charles Newland.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1825: Edward Humphry, Common Brewer, Mayor.<br/> The said Harry Comper.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1826: Thomas Humphry, Common Brewer, Mayor.<br/> The said Edward Humphry.<br/> - John Murray.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.</p> <p>1827: Thomas Miles, Mercer, Mayor.<br/> The said Thomas Humphry.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - William Charles Newland.</p> <p>1828: Charles Ridge, Banker, Mayor.<br/> The said Thomas Mills.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - William Charles Newland.</p> <p>1829: William Gruggen, Surgeon, Mayor.<br/> The said Charles Ridge.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - William Charles Newland.</p> <p>1830: Edward Halsey Cobby, Wine Merchant, Mayor.<br/> The said William Gruggen.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - William Charles Newland.</p> <p>1831: William Cobden Rhoades, Attorney at Law, Mayor.<br/> The said Edward Halsey Cobby.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - William Charles Newland.</p> <p>1832: William Titchener, Mercer, Mayor.<br/> The said William Cobden Rhoades.<br/> - Samuel Cobby.<br/> - Thomas Rhoades.<br/> - William Charles Newland.</p> |
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RECORDERS:	{	From 1812 to 1817	- -	Robert Steele, Esq.	- -	Barrister-at-Law.
		- 1817 to 1820	- -	Edward V. Utterson, Esq.	- -	ditto.
		- 1820 to 1833	- -	William M. Bridger, Esq.	- -	ditto.
DEPUTY RECORDERS:	{	From 1812 to 1823	- -	William Johnson	- -	Attorney-at-Law.
		- 1823 to 1833	- -	James B. Freeland	- -	ditto.

## CORPORATION OF CHIPPING NORTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The Manner in which the same were given.	Amount.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.		
	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
Sir John Walter -	20 - -	The interest of -	200 - -	Paid to the Poor of Chipping Norton.
Henry Cornish -	20 - -	The interest of -	30 - -	Paid to the Schoolmaster of Chipping Norton.
Hugh Parker -	20 - -	The interest of -	66 13 4	Paid towards apprenticing poor Boys in the town of Chipping Norton.
Lady Gray -	20 - -	The interest of -	10 - -	To be spent in Bread to be given to the Poor of Chipping Norton.
Jane Anslow, Widow -	20 - -	The interest of -	5 - -	Given to 12 Poor Widows.
Thomas Carrick -	4 - -			
Thomas Newitt -	15 - -			
Margery Minop -	2 - -			
Henry Greever and his Wife -	10 - -			
David Vigo -	3 - -			
Thomas Berry -	5 - -			
Thomas Fawley, the elder -	5 - -			
Thomas Fawley, the younger -	5 - -			
John Rose -	5 - -			
John Newland -	6 - -			
Thomas Hyatt -	20 - -			
Walter Chawney -	5 - -			
Richard Berry -	5 - -			
Richard Hutchins -	60 - -			
John Smart -	66 13 4			
Edmund Vade -	10 - -			
William Thomas -	5 - -			
	£. 331 13 4			
		The whole of the above sums, amounting to 331 l. 13 s. 4 d., by a decree made in the year 1687, are charged and secured on the Manor of Chipping Norton, of which the Corporation are the owners.		
		£.453 stock called "Barnes' Charity," invested in the names of the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Borough of Chipping-Norton		
		The Dividends paid by the Corporation to the Schoolmaster of Chipping Norton according to the directions of the Donor.		
		£. 112.7 s. 2d. three per cent. stock, called "West's Charity" -		
		The Dividends expended by the Corporation in purchase of Coals for the Poor in the Almshouses of Chipping Norton according to the directions of the Donor.		
		£.100 three per cent. stock, called "Busby's Charity."		
		The Dividends expended by the Corporation in the purchase of Coats and Gowns for the use of the Poor of Chipping Norton, according to the directions of the Donor.		

There are 12 Almshouses in the town of Chipping Norton; the right of appointment of objects to these houses is vested in the Bailiffs of Chipping Norton.

The Bailiffs and Burgesses have also vested in them the appointment of a Master to the Free School at Stow on the Wold, in the County of Gloucester, and also to the Almshouses there. An annual sum of 40 l. is divided between the Schoolmaster and the Poor in the Almshouses, which is charged on certain premises in Tooley-street, London, and made payable to the Bailiffs and Burgesses.

21 February 1833.

Weston Aplin, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Chipping Norton.

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	Periods of Office.	NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	Periods of Office.
Mr. Edward Bulley -	Surgeon -	1812	Mr. Charles Rice Heynes	Surgeon -	1823.
Mr. James Prestidge -	Post Master -		Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -	
Mr. Joseph Higgins -	Maltster -	1813	Mr. William Tagg -	Carrier -	1824.
Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -		Mr. John Mallett -	Shopkeeper -	
Mr. Thomas Brown -	Gentleman -	1814	Rev. Richard Solloway	Clergyman -	1825.
Mr. Thomas Higgins -	Tanner -		Skilern -		
Mr. John Ward -	Carrier -	1815	Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -	1826.
Mr. John Mallett -	Shopkeeper -		Mr. Charles Rice Heynes	Surgeon -	
Mr. Edward Matthews -	Solicitor -	1816	Mr. George Harris -	Druggist -	1827.
Mr. Goodman Parsons -	Linen Draper -		Mr. William Tagg -	Currier -	
Mr. John Ward -	Carrier -	1817	Mr. John Mallett -	Shopkeeper -	1828.
Mr. Thomas Higgins -	Tanner -		Mr. George Harris -	Druggist -	
Mr. Goodman Parsons -	Linen Draper -	1819	Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -	1829.
Mr. William Armit -	Plumber and Glazier -		Mr. George Wells -	Schoolmaster -	
Mr. John Ward -	Carrier -	1819	Mr. John Mallett -	Shopkeeper -	1830.
Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -		Mr. George Harris -	Druggist -	
Mr. Charles Phillips -	Surgeon -	1820	Mr. Thomas Perry -	Ironmonger -	1831.
Mr. John Mallett -	Shopkeeper -		Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -	
Mr. William Guy -	Farmer -	1821	Mr. William Tagg -	Currier -	1832.
Mr. Edmund Woodman -	Butcher -		Mr. Charles Rice Heynes	Surgeon -	
Rev. Samuel Leigh -	Clergyman -	1822	Mr. Thomas Perry -	Gentleman -	
Mr. Charles Phillips -	Surgeon -				

21 February 1833.

Weston Aplin, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF CHIPPING WYCOMBE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

How acquired.	Nature and Amount of Property.	Annual Produce.	For what Purpose given.	How distributed and applied.
Queen Elizabeth, by grant the 21st July 1562.	Lands, &c. -	£. s. d. 250 11 7	For the maintenance of a Grammar School and the support of four Poor Persons, which by subsequent Charters has been extended to other poor and needy Persons.	£. 40 per annum paid to the Schoolmaster, and the remainder divided between the Poor Persons resident in the almshouses of the Borough, erected on the lands granted by Queen Elizabeth, by weekly payments.
The MAYOR, CHURCHWARDENS and OVERSEERS.	£. s. d.			
Thomas Church, Merchant, in 1615, by Will -	100 Marks	- - -	To be employed to the use of the Poor.	£. 10 per annum paid to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor, and 10s. to the Surveyors of the Highways.
Ambrose Conway, Esq. about 1600 -	£. 10	83 6 8		
Sir Robert Dormer, Knt. 1616 -	20 Nobles	10 10 -	To be put to interest, at 1s. 6d. in the pound; 20s. per annum to the Poor, and 10s. for the amending the Highways.	
Lady Dorothy Pelham, about 1600	20 - -	- - -		
Wainwright by Will -	20 - -	1 10 -	£. 1. 3s. 4d. to the use of the Poor, and 6s. 8d. as the Mayor should think proper.	£. 1. 3s. 4d. paid to the Overseers of the Poor, and 6s. 8d. to the Vicar of the Borough, for preaching a sermon on the election of the new Mayor.
William Littleboy, Gent., 1633	100 - -	7 10 -	To be distributed in Bread weekly.	Distributed by the Churchwardens monthly on Sundays.
Giles Hunt - - - 31 Eliz.	- - -	1 - -	To be applied to the use of the Poor.	The Corporation are Trustees for recovering the Rent-charges, which are received and applied by the Churchwardens and Overseers.
Thomas Taylor - - 44 Eliz.	A Rent-charge	1 6 8		
John and Robt. Rance, 44 Eliz.	A Rent-charge	5 - -		
Other Donations unknown	Lands, &c. -	14 10 -	- - -	Leases hereof are granted by the Corporation, but the Rents are received and applied by the Churchwardens and Overseers.

John Parker, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Chipping Wycombe.

No. of Years.	Names of Persons.	Profession or Trade, &c.	Nature of Corporate Offices.	When Elected.	OBSERVATIONS.
1813-14	James Blackstone	D. C. L.	Recorder	1795: Mar. 19	The term of Office is during the pleasure of the Mayor, Aldermen and Bailiffs.
	Robert Wheeler	Brewer	Mayor	1812: Sept. 24	
1814-15	William Rose	Surgeon and Apothecary	Mayor	1813: - 23	The Predecessor of every Mayor is a Magistrate for the succeeding year.
1815-16	Thomas Westwood	Esquire	Mayor	1814: - 22	
1816-17	Richard Barry Slater	M. D.	Mayor	1815: - 28	
1817-18	The Rev. James Price	Clerk	Mayor	1816: - 26	
1818-19	Richard Barry Slater	M. D.	Mayor	1817: - 25	
1819-20	John Carter	Tanner	Mayor	1818: - 24	
1820-21	Robert Wheeler	Brewer	Mayor	1819: - 23	
1821-22	William Parker	Draper	Mayor	1820: - 28	
1822-23	William Rose	Surgeon, &c.	Mayor	1821: - 27	
1823-24	Richard Barry Slater	M. D.	Mayor	1822: - 26	
1824-25	John Carter	Tanner	Mayor	1823: - 25	
1825-26	John Matthie	Gentleman	Mayor	1824: - 23	
1826-27	Robert Wheeler	Brewer	Mayor	1825: - 22	
1827-28	The Rev. Isaac King	Clerk	Mayor	1826: - 28	
1828-29	William Parker	Draper	Mayor	1827: - 27	
1829-30	William Rose	Surgeon, &c.	Mayor	1828: - 25	
1830-31	William Denny	Surgeon, &c.	Mayor	1829: - 24	
1831-32	Thomas Westwood	Esquire	Mayor	1830: - 24	
	John Carter	Tanner	Mayor	1831: - 22	
1832-22	Sir Giffin Wilson, Knight	Master in Chancery	Recorder	1832: April 7	
	Robert Wheeler	Brewer	Mayor	1832: Sept. 27	

John Parker, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF CHRISTCHURCH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE is a Property called "The Magdalen Charity," which appears to have been in the possession of the Mayor and Burgesses of the borough of Christchurch, in the year 1646, the purposes of which were for Lazars and Lepers who applied. The Mayor and Burgesses for the time being have appointed a Master to manage the property, and as no Lepers or Lazars have applied for relief for many years, the Revenues have been for some time, and are now applied by the Mayor and Burgesses to the relief of poor persons in the borough. The property consists of about 18 acres of land, which are let to tenants, two houses and gardens and four small cottages, occupied by poor people. The annual produce is about 33*l*. A book of the receipts and payments is kept by the Master for inspection, and he accounts to the Mayor and Burgesses yearly.

The Mayor and Burgesses have for many years been in the receipt of 12*l*., the interest and dividends of 400*l* stock, in the South Sea Annuities, which they paid to the Master of the Free School, for teaching 25 boys. The master was the Vicar of the parish. A Vicar having been appointed in the year 1803, who did not attend to the duties of the School, the Mayor and Burgesses resolved to withdraw the payment, and that the dividends on the stock should accumulate till the stock amounted to 500*l*. in the Three per cent. South Sea Annuities. In the year 1828, the Mayor and Burgesses considered that it would be most advantageous and desirable that a suitable building should be erected for the national Schools of the parish, which experienced extreme inconvenience for the want of it. Sir George Henry Rose offered to give a piece of land in the town to the Mayor and Burgesses for the purpose. In September of that year, the stock was sold out, which produced 425*l*. 3*s*. 6*d*. and the balance of the dividends, 5*l*. 1*s*. 8*d*., making in the whole 430*l*. 5*s*. 2*d*., which sum was expended by the Mayor and Burgesses in building the School-rooms and other requisite buildings, which cost 638*l*. 17*s*. 10½*d*.: the remainder of the money was raised by donations. There are now educating in the School 161 boys and 135 girls. The expenses of the School are defrayed by subscriptions.

The money in the first place appears to have been an annuity of 25*l*. purchased by three Trustees, for 99 years, payable by the Exchequer, under an Act of 4 Queen Anne, and it was declared that 7*l*. 14*s*. 10*d*., part thereof should be for the School at Christchurch, and 17*l*. 5*s*. 2*d*. the remainder should be laid out for the good and benefit of the Corporation, Borough or Town of Christchurch, as long as three Trustees and the survivor of them should think fit, and during their will and pleasure, only the said sum should be paid to the Schoolmaster teaching youths in the school at Christchurch. That after the deceases of the Trustees, or if they or the survivor thought fit that the same should not be paid to the Schoolmaster of the School, the Trustees or survivor, and the executors of the survivor, should pay the 17*l*. 5*s*. 2*d*. to such public uses for the good and benefit of the said Corporation, Borough or Town, as the Mayor and Burgesses should direct, who should have power from time to time to vary their appointments, and to appoint the same to any such public use or uses, as they should judge most beneficial.

These Charities are reported upon by the Commissioners of Public Charities, and they have been informed of the appropriation of the 500*l*. Three per cent. South Sea Annuities, which was made subsequent to their report.

There are no other Charitable Funds or property applicable to charitable purposes, in the possession, order or disposition of the Mayor and Burgesses of Christchurch.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Christchurch.

No Corporate Offices in the borough of Christchurch, whether the mayoralty or other, empowers those who are elected to them to act as magistrates, and they do not act as such, nor have they acted as such within the memory of man.

Ringwood,  
15 February 1833.

C. Harding,  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF COLCHESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no Charitable Funds in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Colchester, save a periodical payment of 104*l*. every twenty-fourth year, receivable under the Will of Sir Thomas White, to be advanced to four of the young freemen, at 25*l*. each, without payment of interest.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Colchester.

There is no member of the Corporation of Colchester who, by virtue of his election to a Corporate Office, has become a magistrate and acted as such during the last 20 years, except the Mayor, who in the year succeeding his office is a magistrate.

18th February 1833.

F. Smythies.

Sir,

Colchester, 4th March 1833.

ON perusing your letter of 11th February last, I believed the Return you called for was of the Charitable Funds, and other property for charitable purposes, in the possession of this Corporation, and my Return was confined to that property. If, however, the property of every description was wished to be included in the Return, I cannot do better than send the inclosed printed Report of the Chamberlain, who receives the whole of the income of the Corporation, and by whom the whole expenditure is made, under the orders of the Mayor and Aldermen.

The estates comprised in this account have been granted to the Corporation by various Kings, for pecuniary consideration, and confirmed by various charters.

The inclosed paper, headed "Corporation of Colchester," relates to the distribution of the interest of 10,329*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.* Three per cent. Consols, purchased with the monies arising from the sale of right of common over certain lands, to which the Burgesses were personally entitled, and which has been commuted for an annual sum, as ordained by a bye-law for that purpose. The Mayor and Commonalty also possess the moothall, and the common gaol, in addition to the estates comprised in the published rental.

That the Corporation has no desire to keep secret their affairs, is manifest from their having printed their receipts and disbursements.

S. M. Phillipps, Esq.

F. Smythies, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF COLCHESTER.

THE Chamberlain begs to submit to the Burgesses resident in Colchester his annual Account of Receipts and Disbursements, from the 17th of August 1831 to the 7th of August 1832.

J. H. Theobald, Chamberlain.

RECEIPTS.			DISBURSEMENTS.		
	£.	s. d.		£.	s. d.
Interest of Money arising from £. 10,329. 6 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>d.</i> Three per cent. Consols - - -	309	17 6	By Payment to 503 Burgesses, at 15 <i>s.</i> each - - -	377	5 -
By Payment of the Conservators	81	7 3	Town Serjeants' Fees - - -	2	- -
	391	4 9	Expenses - - -	2	3 6
Poundage - - -	19	11 -	Paid for Printing, 1831 - - -	1	10 6
	371	13 9	Balance in hand - - -	14	11 9
For the Expenses, &c. - - -	18	- -			
Balance in hand, from last year -	7	17 -			
	£. 397	10 9		£. 397	10 9

THE ACCOUNT of J. H. Theobald, as Chamberlain of the Borough of Colchester, from the 1st of January 1831, to the 31st of December in the same Year.

## Mayoralty of William Smith, Esq.

Dr.			Cr.		
1831:—Jan. 31.	£.	s. d.	1831:	£.	s. d.
Received for inrolling Indentures of Thomas Greenleaf to Mr. George Greenleaf, dated 23d January 1831 - - -	-	5 -	Balance due to the Chamberlain, brought forward from last year - - -	36	2 8
Feb. 28.			Paid the Burgesses their Eight-pences and Expenses to August 1829 - - -	18	- -
To Cash received for River Dues collected in the River Colne - - -	6	15 -	Paid the Burgesses their Eight-pences and Expenses to August 1830 - - -	18	- -
To Cash received for Licenses to dredge for Oysters in the River Colne, viz.			Jan. 27.		
273 - at £. 2 - - £. 573 6 -			Paid John Bennell, for carting Stone to North Bridge, as per Bill - - -	3	- -
3 poor at 1 11 6 - - 4 14 6	578	- 6	Paid Mr. William Hawkins, for 24 Loads of Sifted Stone - - -	1	16 -
3 gratis to the Water Bailiff -			Paid Mr. Hayward, for Survey and Report of Carpenters' Work at the Hithe - - -	1	1 -
Town Clerk's Fees - - -	27	18 -	Feb. 27.		
	550	2 6	Paid Mr. E. J. Ward, for printing - - -	2	10 -
March 25.			28.		
Received of			Paid Town Serjeants their Fees on licensing Oyster Dredgers - - -	1	- -
Peter Bacon, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	11	10 -	March 25.		
Isaac Belsham, 1 Year's Rent £. 65 - -			Paid the Waterworks Company - - -	10	6
Allowed Dixey's Bill £. 8 1 4	12	4 6	Paid for Notice to Tenants - - -	2	6
Ditto - Bennell's Bill 4 3 2					

The Account of *J. H. Theobald*, Chamberlain of the Borough of Colchester—continued.Mayoralty of *William Smith*, Esq.—continued.

Dr.—continued.			Cr.—continued.		
Received of	£.	s. d.		£.	s. d.
Samuel Dixey, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	2	- -	Paid Mrs. Grimes her Bill for Dinners, &c. for Mile-End Tenants - - -	6	7 -
Widow Grimes, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	7	10 -	Paid Samuel Blyth $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Salary as Serjeant at Mace - - -	5	- -
William Groves, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	2	16 -	April 5.		
William Green, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	-	10 -	Paid $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Land Tax for Farms and Cottages at Mile End - - -	17	16 -
John Holland, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	3	16 6	Paid Mr. James Bennell, for mending the Hall Windows - - -	-	11 2
William Dunlap, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	3	12 6	May 21.		
Mr. Rumsey, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - £.42 10 -	37	3 7	Paid Robert Howard his Bill, for Carpenter's Work done at Mile End - - -	3	9 -
Allowed Moss's Bill £.4 1 8			28.		
Ditto - Ives's Bill - 1 4 9			Paid J. and S. Bennell, for Stone and Carting to North Bridge - - -	2	- -
John Lilly, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	-	7 6	June 24.		
Joseph Munson, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	-	15 -	Paid the Waterworks Company - - -	-	10 6
John Garrod, 18 Months' Rent - - -	10	10 -	July 2.		
William Nevard, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	2	- -	Paid Paving-rate for Town Hall - - -	2	8 6
Widow Paddle, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	7	- -	Paid Mr. Richard Hampson $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Interest to Midsummer last - - -	225	- -
Mr. C. B. Roofs, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent £.56 10 -	53	3 5	Bill Stamp - - -	-	5 -
Allowed Grimes's Bill £.2 17 6			Postage - - -	-	1 -
Ditto - Sebborn's Bill - 9 1			16.		
John Smith, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	14	2 6	Paid Mr. John Holland, for preparing Ground and making part of a new Road at Mile End, by Agreement - - -	53	- -
Isaac Tillett, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	10	10 -	27.		
William Wyncoll, $\frac{1}{2}$ Year's Rent - - -	77	10 -	Paid the Town Clerk, as per Bill, for appointing Conservators - - -	1	11 6
William Brooker, 1 Year's Rent - - -	3	18 -	Paid the Town Serjeant's Fees, at shutting the Oyster Fishery - - -	1	- -
			Paid the Colne Company for 2 Sink Weights, as per Bill - - -	2	1 7
			Paid Christopher Harvey his Bill for Fires, Candles, &c. at the Hall - - -	4	9 6
			Paid for 1 Year's Rent of Pews, for the use of the Corporation, to Michaelmas last - - -	5	- -
			Paid for 1 Year's Subscription to the Colchester Hospital, to January last - - -	5	5 -
			Paid the annual Allowance towards the Expenses of the Mayoralty of W <sup>m</sup> Smith, Esq. - - -	80	- -
			Paid Messrs. Swinborne, Walter and Taylor, for printing, &c. - - -	2	8 2
			Paid Mr. Samuel Bennell his Bill for Bricklayer's Work - - -	3	18 -
			Paid Mr. James Watts, for a Suit of Livery for Serjeant Abbott - - -	7	5 -
			Paid Mr. William Fenton, for 2 Watchmen's Coats - - -	4	- -
			Paid to the Executors of the late Thomas Bennell, for painting and glazing - - -	3	10 -
			Paid Mr. R. M. Everitt his Bill for Carpenter's Work done at the Hall - - -	4	13 -
			Paid Mr. Skitter his Bill for the Epiphany Session Dinner - - -	6	11 6
			Paid Mr. Peter Clark his Bill for Epiphany Grand Jury Dinner - - -	3	3 -
			Paid Mr. Peter Clark his Bill for Easter Session Dinner - - -	7	19 6
			Paid Mr. William Downes his Bill for Survey and Valuation of Heath and Chantry Lands - - -	35	- -
			Aug. 17.		
			Paid the Burgesses the Eight-pences and Expenses for 1831 - - -	18	- -
			Paid Mr. Thomas Jeffries 1 Year's Salary, as Water Bailiff - - -	15	15 -

The Account of *J. H. Theobald*, Chamberlain of the Borough of Colchester, &c.—*continued*.Mayoralty of *William Smith*, Esq.—*continued*.Dr.—*continued*.Cr.—*continued*.

	£.	s.	d.
Paid the Colne Company for Dinner, at shutting the Fishery - - -	2	2	-
Paid Thomas Lamb, for ringing on the Coronation of King William the Fourth - -	5	-	-
Paid Charles Durrant, for Bricklayer's Work done at Mile End - - -	1	10	8
Paid for Wine, as per Bill, the 20th October last - - -	3	6	-
Paid for Matting used at the Hall - -	-	9	7½
Paid Mr. Samuel Hutchinson his Bill for laying Barn Floor, &c. at the Farm late in the occupation of Mr. William Cant - -	20	13	6
Aug. 20.			
Paid Mr. John Smith, for Midsummer Session Dinner - - -	6	9	-
Paid Mr. John Smith his Bill for Dinner and Wine, on Charter-day last - - -	22	5	6
Paid Mr. John Smith, for part of Colne Company Dinner, February last - - -	5	5	-
Paid Mr. George Joslin his Bill for Brazier's Work done at the Hall - - -	3	17	9
Paid Mr. James Bennell his bill for plumbing, painting and glazing, at the Hall - -	16	2	11
Paid Mr. Edward Lay, for Carpenter's Work done at the Hall - - -	2	1	9
Paid Mr. Samuel Grimes his Bill for Carpenter's Work done at the new Road, Mile End - - -	6	9	4
Paid Mr. Edward Lay, for Carpenter's Work done inside the Town Hall - - -	28	19	6½
Paid Mr. Seaman, for the Easter Grand Jury Dinner - - -	3	3	-
Paid Messrs. Swinborne, Walter and Taylor, for printing Chamberlain's Accounts for several years - - -	10	4	-
Paid the Executors of the late Thomas Bennell, as per Bill, for glazing and painting -	2	12	9
Paid Mr. William Cant, for Dinner and Wine for the Four-and-Twenty, on Charter Day -	7	7	-
Paid Mr. J. Seaborn, for Midsummer Grand Jury Dinner - - -	3	3	-
Paid Mr. John Smith, of Mile End, as per Bills, for Bricks, Land-draining Tiles, Gravel, and carting, at Mile End - - -	11	17	2
Paid Mr. William Everitt, for a Hat for Serjeant Blyth, Michaelmas last - - -	2	5	-
Paid Mr. George Shairp, for a Hat for Serjeant Abbott, Michaelmas last - - -	2	5	-

Mayoralty of *William Sparling*, Esq.

1831 :—Sept. 29.					Sept. 29.												
Received of					£.	s.	d.										
Thomas Alston, 2 Years' Rent					-	-	4	4	-	Paid for Notice to Tenants - - - - -					2	6	
John Brooker, 1 Year's Rent					-	-	4	-	-	Paid Mrs. Grimes her Bill for Dinner, &c. for							
John Brooker, jun. 1 Year's Rent					-	-	1	-	-	Mile End Tenants - - - - -					7	-	
Thomas Brown, 1 Year's Rent					-	-	2	-	-	Oct. 11.							
Thomas Bowers, 2 Years' Rent					-	-	2	-	-	Paid G. W. Kelley, Esq. Recorder, 2 Years'							
William Barnes, 1 Year's Rent					-	-	14	-	-	Salary, to Michaelmas last					13	6	8
Peter Bacon, ½ Year's Rent					-	-	11	10	-	Paid James Martin, Standard-bearer to the							
Thomas Baker, 1 Year's Rent					-	-	3	-	-	Corporation - - - - -					-	6	-
the Executors of the late										Paid Charles Durrant, for Bricklayer's Work							
Mr. William Cant, 1 Year's					£.125	-	-			at Mile End - - - - -					-	6	3
Rent - - - - -										Paid the Waterworks Company - - - - -					-	10	6
Allowed for Repairs					18	1	8			Paid ½ Year's Land Tax for Farms and Cot-							
										tages at Mile End - - - - -					17	16	-
Stephen Cally, 2 Years' Rent					-	-	4	-	-	Paid Mr. Bell, of London, 2 Years' Fee Farm							
James Crane, 1 Year's Rent					-	-	2	10	-	Rent to Michaelmas last, Postage included					1	-	6



The Account of *J. H. Theobald*, Chamberlain of the Borough of Colchester, &c.—continued.Mayoralty of *William Sparling*, Esq.—continued.

Dr.—continued.				Cr.—continued.			
Received of		£.	s. d.			£.	s. d.
Mr. Syer, 1 Year's Rent	- £.140 - -			Paid John Holland, for Gravel and carting at Mile End to new Road	- - - -	2	12 -
Allowed Carpenter's Bill	- £.58 2 11 -			Paid Robert Howard, for Carpenter's Work done at the new Road, Mile End	- - - -	-	15 -
Ditto, Bennell's Bill 18 15 6	- } 76 18 5	63	1 7				
Samuel Dixey, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	2	- -	Dec. 23.			
Henry Dines, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Paid John Holland, for Stone and carting to North Bridge	- - - -	3	12 -
Thomas Ford, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Paid Mr. Samuel Bennell, for Bricklayer's Work done at Belsham's Farm, Mile End	- - - -	6	2 1
Samuel Faires, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	2	10 -	Paid Mr. Henry Lufkin, for Stone Work done to the Hall Steps	- - - -	1	4 3
Widow Grimes, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	7	10 -	Paid for Biscuits and Cakes on the 20th of October last	- - - -	-	18 -
William Groves, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	2	10 -	Paid Mr. James Bennell, for glazing, &c. at Sarjant's Farm, Mile End	- - - -	1	13 5½
William Green, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	-	10 -	Paid Mr. Thomas Ward his Bill for Michaelmas Session Dinner	- - - -	8	17 6
James Green, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	-	8 -	Paid Mr. Samuel Bennell, for Bricklayer's Work done at the Farm in the occupation of Mr. Sarjant	- - - -	31	3 3
Robert Hewes, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	5	- -	Paid Mr. John Bland, for a Suit of Livery for himself, as per Bill	- - - -	7	5 -
Charles Hardwick, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	2	10 -	Paid Mr. Richard Weatherly, for a Suit of Livery for Serjeant Hills	- - - -	7	5 -
John Holland, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	3	16 6	Paid Mr. George Baines, for a Suit of Livery for Serjeant Cant	- - - -	7	5 -
the Parish of Mile End, 9 Months' Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Paid Mr. William Fenton, for a Suit of Livery for Serjeant Blyth	- - - -	7	5 -
William Dunlap, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	3	12 6				
Robert Ives, 1 Year's Rent, to Michaelmas 1830	- - - -	2	- -	Dec. 30.			
John Joslin, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	-	12 -	Paid Mr. Richard Hampson ½ Year's Interest, to Christmas last	- - - -	225	- -
John Rumsey, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	42	10 -	Bill Stamp	- - - -	-	5 -
John Kettle, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Postage	- - - -	-	1 -
Thomas Kettle, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	2	- -	Paid Mr. James Bennell, for glazing, &c. at Widow Paddle's	- - - -	-	5 1
George Knights, 1 Year's Rent	£.28 - -			Paid the Waterworks Company	- - - -	-	10 6
Allowed Land Tax	- - 1 16 -	26	4 -	Paid Mr. Hedge his Bill for repairing the Mace, &c.	- - - -	2	- -
Robert Munson, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Paid Mr. Samuel Waylen the Fee Farm Rent to Michaelmas last	- - - -	33	12 8
Joseph Munson, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	-	15 -	Paid Samuel Blyth ½ Year's Salary to Michaelmas last	- - - -	5	- -
James Munson, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	2	- -	Paid John Bland 1 Year's Salary to Michaelmas last	- - - -	10	- -
Charles Maldon, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Paid William Samuel Cant 1 Year's Salary to Michaelmas last	- - - -	10	- -
John Garrod, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	3	10 -	Paid James Abbott 1 Year's Salary to Michaelmas last	- - - -	10	- -
James Newson, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	6	10 -	Paid Mr. William Dorrell, for Michaelmas Grand Jury Dinner	- - - -	3	3 -
Joshua Nunn, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	-	15 -	Paid the annual Allowance towards the Expenses of the Mayoralty of W <sup>m</sup> Sparling, Esq.	- - - -	80	- -
William Nevard, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	2	- -	Paid for 1 Year's Rent of Pews for the use of the Corporation, to Michaelmas last	- - - -	5	- -
the Widow Pitchell, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	- -	Paid Mr. William Everitt 2 Years' Salary, as Billet Master, to Michaelmas last	- - - -	20	- -
John Ramsey, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -	Paid Mr. Samuel Grimes his Bill for Carpenter's Work done at the Farm, in the occupation of Mr. Sarjant	- - - -	69	2 11
C. B. Rooft, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	56	10 -	Paid Messrs. Swinborne, Walter and Taylor, for printing and advertising, as per Bill	- - - -	3	16 6
the Widow Paddle, ½ Year's Rent	£.6 - -			Paid Mr. William Everitt, for making 2 Serjeants' Hats, Michaelmas last	- - - -	4	10 -
Allowed Land Tax	£.1 8 -			Paid Mr. George Shairp, for making a Hat for Serjeant Hills	- - - -	2	5 -
Ditto - Paving Rate	- 6 3	1	14 3	Poundage on Receipt of £.1,415. 0s. 10d.	- - - -	70	15 -
Abraham Studd, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	4	10 -	My Salary, as Chamberlain	- - - -	1	8 4
Robert Sebborn, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	13	- -	Stamps for Receipts	- - - -	2	8 -
James Sebborn, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -				
John Smith, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	14	2 6				
John Smith, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -				
William Smith, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -				
the Widow Sadler, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	- -				
Isaac Tillett, ½ Year's Rent	- - - -	10	10 -				
William Wyncoll, ½ Year's Rent	£.77 10 -						
Allowed Dixey's Bill	£.3 9 4						
Ditto - Bacon's Bill	- 9 -	3	18 4				
Isaac Sadler, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	2	- -				
William Woods, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	1	10 -				
John Vince, 1 Year's Rent	- - - -	3	- -				
To Cash received of Mr. Joslin, for old Weights and Measures	- - - -	4	7 -				
To Cash received of the Colne Fishery Company, for 1 Year's Rent of Floating Fish	- - - -	15	- -				
		£.1,415	- 10				
Balance due to the Chamberlain	- - - -	47	19 2½				
		£.1,463	- - ½				

## CORPORATION OF CONGLETON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of CHARITABLE FUNDS, and other Property.	How acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are distributed and applied.
One Annuity of 8 <i>l.</i> , issuing out of lands in Buglawton, in the county of Chester.	By the Will of William Parnell, citizen and wax-chandler, of London, dated 13th July 1622.	To be distributed to 12 of the poorest aged people in Congleton, on every Sabbath-day, 12 pennyworth of bread ; And upon the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, to give to 54 of the poorest aged people in Congleton, 54 <i>s.</i> ; And 40 <i>s.</i> to the Preacher at Congleton Church, or if no Preacher, then to the Schoolmaster ; And the remaining 14 <i>s.</i> to the Mayor of Congleton.	The bread, and 54 <i>s.</i> are distributed on St. Thomas'-day, by the Corporation, to the poor of Congleton, and the Minister and the Mayor each receives his 40 <i>s.</i> and 14 <i>s.</i>
The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> - -	By grant of Dame Elizabeth Booth, widow, Lady Booth, of the city of Bath, in the county of Somerset, dated 20th December 1662.	To lend the same out in sums not exceeding 10 <i>l.</i> each, to honest young tradesmen, free-men of Congleton ; and the interest upon the said sum of 100 <i>l.</i> should be paid to the Overseers of Congleton and Astbury, to distribute in bread, on every Sunday.	50 <i>s.</i> a year distributed by the Corporation, in the Church at Congleton, in bread, every Sunday.
£.4 yearly, charged upon a piece of freehold land called the Milne Field.	By the Will of Randull Rode, of Congleton, alderman, dated 16th March 1643.	To be bestowed upon six of the poorest widows in Congleton, at the oversight of his Executrix, and the Overseers of that his Will.	To six poor widows.
Two freehold houses and a moss-room, situate in Congleton, and two sittings in Congleton Chapel.	By the Will of William Dean, of Congleton, aforesaid, practitioner of physic, dated 4th May 1686.	The Rents to be disposed of to any pious uses, for the good of the borough aforesaid.	By the Mayor, two Justices of the Peace and senior Aldermen of the borough, in clothing for the poor.
The sum of 50 <i>l.</i> - -	By the Will of Jane Davis, late of London, widow, dated 6th Dec. 1650.	The interest to be disposed of to the use of the poor of Congleton aforesaid, for ever.	Distributed by the Corporation to the poor, in money, with Parnell's 54 <i>s.</i> , on St. Thomas'-day.
16 <i>s.</i> yearly - - -	By gift, from Mr. Jolley -	For the use of the Poor - -	These sums are distributed in money, to poor house-keepers in Congleton, on St. Thomas'-day, with Parnell's 54 <i>s.</i> By the Corporation, in the Church, in bread every Sunday.
5 <i>s.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mr. Wilkinson -		
5 <i>s.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mr. Dean -		
2 <i>s.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mrs. Buckley -		
1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mr. Hancock -		
1 <i>s.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mr. Jackson -		
5 <i>s.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mr. Smith -		
5 <i>s.</i> ditto - - -	The like, from Mr. Bellot -		
One annuity of 52 <i>s.</i> -	By the Will of Ralph Stubbs, citizen and merchant tailor of London, charged upon a messuage in Congleton called Chapel House.	To be laid out in bread, and distributed weekly.	
The sum of 20 <i>l.</i> - -	By the Will of Robert Hulme, of Sandbach, in the said county of Chester, practitioner of physic, dated 5th Aug. 1708, 7 Anne.	To purchase a rent-charge, the interest thereof, as also the said rent-charge, after it should be purchased, to be yearly, for ever, paid to the use of the Schoolmaster of Congleton for the time being, that should teach a grammar-school.	Paid to the Teacher of the free grammar-school, in Congleton, by the Corporation.
The yearly sum of 25 <i>s.</i> -	By the Will of Samuel Leadbeater, of Astbury, in the said county of Chester, yeoman, dated 23d Jan. 1764, and charged upon a farm at Mossley Moss, in Congleton.	To be paid to the poor of Congleton, on every Christmas-day, to such objects of charity as should be thought fit.	By the person in possession of the premises, with the advice of the preaching minister.

CORPORATION OF CONGLETON.—CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Description of CHARITABLE FUNDS, and other Property.	How acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are distributed and applied.
The sum of 249 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> new Four per Cent. Annuities.	By the Will of Joseph Staton, of the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, in the county of Middlesex, dated 15th March 1773.	The Mayor, Churchwardens and Overseers to receive the dividends, and apply the same in the purchase of shoes and stockings, shirts and shifts, for such poor boys and girls resident in Congleton, as to them, or the majority of them, should seem meet, on St. Thomas'-day in every year.	Distributed to the poor by the Mayor, Churchwardens and Overseers of the poor of Congleton, in calico, stockings, &c.
The yearly sum of 3 <i>l.</i> , charged upon a field in Congleton.	By an Indenture bearing date the 31st July 1790, executed by Robert Hodgson, esq.	To be distributed amongst six poor housekeepers or inhabitants who should not have any stipend, maintenance or support out of the town.	By the Mayor and two Justices of the Peace, on every Lady-day, in moiety to six poor housekeepers.
The interest of 50 <i>l.</i>	By the Will of Samuel Malbon, of the city of Oxford, esquire, dated 19th May 1790.	To purchase bread, to be distributed on every Easter Monday, at the Church-door, after divine morning service, to the honest industrious poor of Congleton, who supported themselves by their labour, and received no alms or support from the Corporation, or the Parish of Congleton.	
The annual sum of 1 <i>l.</i>	By the Will of Samuel Moreton, dated 1727.	To be distributed in bread to the poor every Whit-Sunday.	Distributed in the church on Whit-Sunday, by the Corporation.
The surplus rent of a dwelling-house in Congleton called Craggs, after deducting repairs, &c.	By Indentures of Lease and Release, bearing date the 19th and 20th October 1781, made between Richard Martin, of the one, and the Mayor, Alderman and Burgesses of the borough of Congleton, of the other part.	To distribute the remaining rents yearly, for ever, unto such poor housekeepers of Congleton who should not have any support out of the said town or borough.	Distributed by the fourth, fifth and sixth capital burgesses upon the 1st of January yearly, to poor persons not chargeable to the township.
A water corn-mill, &c., a farm-house and land, and several small chief rents.	By charter - - -	For the use of the Corporation	The rents, &c. are applied towards the Ministers' and Clerks' salaries, &c., repairs, &c. of the parochial chapel of Congleton, repairs of the streets, borough gaol and general improvement of the town officers' salaries, &c.
Market-house, shambles, &c. } Two dwelling-houses, &c. }	By purchase - - -	- - - - -	
Minister's house and lands; perpetual curacy.	- - - - -	Presented by the Corporation to the Minister, for his life.	
Town School; school-house and land.	- - - - -	The like to the Schoolmaster	
Town Hall and Gaol.			Freemen's sons are taught Latin in the school, gratis.

29 May 1833.

Chris. Moorhouse, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Congleton.

When elected.	NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.
12 Sept. - 1812	The Rev. Samuel Williamson, Clerk, Mayor - Nathaniel Maxey Pattison - - - } Holland Watson - - - - - } Justices	Curate. { Silk Merchant. { Esquire.
27 Sept. - 1813	Jonathan Broadhurst - - - - Mayor - John Dean - - - - - } Holland Watson - - - - - } Justices	Silk Merchant. { Bookseller. { Esquire.

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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Congleton*—continued.

When elected.	N A M E S.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.
26 Sept. - 1814	Thomas Bowers - - - Mayor - Holland Watson - - - } Justices - John Jackson - - - }	Saddler. { Esquire. { Silk Merchant.
25 Sept. - 1815	Jonathan Broadhurst - - - Mayor - Holland Watson - - - } Justices - The Rev. Samuel Williamson - - }	Silk Merchant. { Esquire. { Clerk.
23 Sept. - 1816	John Johnson - - - Mayor - Holland Watson - - - } Justices - George Reade - - - }	Banker. { Esquire. { Cotton Merchant.
22 Sept. - 1817	John Skerratt - - - Mayor - Nathaniel Maxey Pattison - - } Justices - Thomas Bowers - - - }	Gentleman. { Silk Merchant. { Saddler.
28 Sept. - 1818	Thomas Bowers - - - Mayor - Holland Watson - - - } Justices - Jonathan Broadhurst - - - }	Saddler. { Esquire. { Silk Merchant.
27 Sept. - 1819	Nathaniel Maxey Pattison - - - Mayor - James Twemlow - - - } Justices - Rev. Samuel Williamson - - - }	Silk Merchant. { Gentleman. { Clerk.
25 Sept. - 1820	Jonathan Broadhurst - - - Mayor - George Reade - - - } Justices - Holland Watson - - - }	Silk Merchant. { Cotton Merchant. { Esquire.
24 Sept. - 1821	Thomas Bowers - - - Mayor - John Johnson - - - } Justices - Rev. Samuel Williamson - - - }	Saddler. { Banker. { Clerk.
23 Sept. - 1822	George Reade - - - Mayor - John Johnson - - - } Justices - John Skerratt - - - }	Cotton Merchant. { Banker. { Gentleman.
22 Sept. - 1823	John Johnson - - - Mayor - Holland Watson - - - } Justices - Thomas Bowers - - - }	Banker. { Esquire. { Saddler.
27 Sept. - 1824	John Johnson, re-elected - - - Mayor - George Reade - - - } Justices - Jonathan Broadhurst - - - }	Banker. { Cotton Merchant. { Silk Merchant.
26 Sept. - 1825	Jonathan Broadhurst - - - Mayor - John Johnson - - - } Justices - John Jackson - - - }	Silk Merchant. { Banker. { Silk Merchant.
25 Sept. - 1826	John Jackson - - - Mayor - George Reade - - - } Justices - James Twemlow - - - }	Silk Merchant. { Cotton Merchant. { Gentleman.
24 Sept. - 1827	George Reade - - - Mayor - Jonathan Broadhurst - - - } Justices - John Jackson - - - }	Cotton Merchant. { Silk Merchant. { - ditto.
22 Sept. - 1828	William Lowndes - - - Mayor - George Reade - - - } Justices - Charles Gent - - - }	Gentleman. { Cotton Merchant. { Silk Merchant.
28 Sept. - 1829	Charles Gent - - - Mayor - John Jackson - - - } Justices - John Hall - - - }	Silk Merchant. { - ditto. { Surgeon.
27 Sept. - 1830	William Lowndes - - - Mayor - John Hall - - - } Justices - Thomas Hall - - - }	Gentleman. { Surgeon. { Silk Merchant.
26 Sept. - 1831	Thomas Hall - - - Mayor - John Jackson - - - } Justices - Charles Barlow - - - }	Silk Merchant. { Tea Dealer. { Silk Merchant.
24 Sept. - 1832	Charles Barlow - - - Mayor - John Jackson - - - } Justices - Charles Gent - - - }	Silk Merchant. { Tea Dealer. { Silk Merchant.

## CORPORATION OF COVENTRY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

## FREE SCHOOL ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Lady-day 1831 to Lady-day 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	890	4	5	The Head Master - - -	525	13	3
				The Under Master - - -	262	16	7½
				The Singing Master - - -	4	-	-
				Repairs - - - - -	19	-	-
				Bailiff's Salary - - -	43	-	-
				Incidental Expenses - -	8	6	6
				Lost by Insolvency, &c. -	27	8	-
				Fraction - - - - -	-	-	½
£.	890	4	5	£.	890	4	5

Vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, as Trustees.

This School was founded by John Hales, and confirmed by Act of 23d Elizabeth. The whole revenues (after deducting repairs and bailiff's salary) are paid to the upper and under masters of the School, and a music master.

John Carter, Town Clerk.

## SIR THOMAS WHITE'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Old Lady-Day 1830 to Old Lady-Day 1831.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	2,100	9	2	The tenths to Jordan - -	7	13	2
Dividends from Stock funded from the Wyken Colliery Mine				Bailiff's Salary - - -	60	-	-
Rent - - - - -	128	-	4	Clerk of Trust's Bill - -	3	16	8
				Repairs and sougning Tiles -	25	12	-½
				Stamps for Receipts, Books, Postages and Power of Attor- ney to receive Dividends -	3	13	10½
				Rents lost - - - - -	49	14	7½
				Paid Balance Purchase Money for redemption of Land Tax -	10	14	1½
£.	2,228	9	6	Balance to be divided, as under -	2,067	5	-½
				£.	2,228	9	6

Balance divided, brought down - - - - - £. 2,067 5 -½

Four-sevenths for Loans to Northampton - - -	£. 1,181	5	8				
Four-fifths for Alms to 177 poor freemen, at 4l. each, and 15s. 4d. odd money - - -	708	15	4				
Twelve-eighteenhs to the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen -	118	2	6				
Three-eighteenhs to Merchant Tailors - - -	29	10	7½				
Three ditto to Clerk of the Trusts - - -	29	10	7½				
Fraction - - - - -	-	-	3½				
					2,067	5	-½

The above Estates are vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, in pursuance of a decree of the House of Lords in the year 1703, and to be disposed of as herein mentioned.

John Carter, Town Clerk.

## BOND'S HOSPITAL.—Annual Account, 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Balance due from Bankers, 31 Dec. 1831 - - -	66	12	9	Balance due to Bailiff, 1 Jan. 1832	8	1	1½
Cash from Trustees of the Estates	725	14	2	Weekly Payments to Aldermen (average No. 44) - - -	689	2	-
Balance due to Bankers, 31 Dec. 1832 - - - - -	63	11	1	Ditto - - - to Nurse - -	39	-	-
				Servant - - - - -	5	-	-
				Bailiff - - - - -	20	-	-
				Clerk - - - - -	2	2	-
				Water Rent - - - - -	3	-	-
				Eight Funerals - - - -	10	-	-
				Medical Attendance - -	7	-	-
				Washing - - - - -	25	-	3
				Coals - - - - -	32	6	9
				Glazing - - - - -	2	2	5½
				Painting, White-washing, &c. -	-	12	1
				Stoves and Pipes - - -	2	14	-
				Brushes, Mops and Mats -	2	19	4
				Sundries, per Nurses, quarterly Account - - - - -	1	-	1
				Ale on Great Leet Day - -	-	11	-
				Balance due from Bailiff, 31 De- cember 1832 - - -	5	6	11
£.	855	18	-	£.	855	18	-

The above Estates are vested in the names of Trustees, who pay the rents to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, and they apply them as herein mentioned by decree of the Court of Chancery.

John Carter, Town Clerk.

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*Coventry*—continued.PISFORD'S HOSPITAL CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Lady-day 1831  
to Lady-day 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	422	-	10	Annual Payments - - - - -	1	17	4
				Repairs - - - - -	66	1	3
				Draining - - - - -	9	-	-
				Incidental - - - - -	3	1	4
				Coals - - - - -	11	4	-
				Land Tax - - - - -	11	6	8
				Bailiffs - - - - -	21	9	-
				Pensioners - - - - -	180	14	-
				Balance in Treasurer's hands -	117	7	3
£.	422	-	10	£.	422	-	10

The above Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, by Wills of William Ford and William Pisford, and applied as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## WALE'S CHARITY ACCOUNT.—From Michaelmas 1831 to Michaelmas 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental to Michaelmas 1832 -	169	8	6	Balance due to the Treasurers -	150	7	10
				Paid the Master of Monks Kirby School a year's Salary, due Saint Thomas 1832 - -	30	-	-
				Paid the Poor at Brinklow -	2	-	-
				Bailiff's Salary - - -	7	-	-
Balance due to the Treasurers -	80	9	4	In Charity at Ash Wednesday 1833 - - - - -	60	10	-
£.	249	17	10	£.	249	17	10

This Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, under the Will of Thomas Wale, of London, mercer, dated 19th April 1625, and applied as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## WHEATLEY'S LOAN MONEY.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Money to be placed out in Loans to the Trading Companies, at interest at 3 <i>d.</i> in the pound -	800	-	-	Applied in Loans - - -	800	-	-

The interest is applied towards the maintenance and education of the boys in the Bablake School. This money is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, and applied as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

BARON'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Lady-day 1831  
to Lady-day 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	-	16	-	Vicar of Trinity - - - - -	-	6	8
				Bread to Poor - - - - -	-	9	4
£.	-	16	-	£.	-	16	-

By the Will of a person of the name of Barron.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*Coventry*—continued.

## LANE'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Lady-day 1831 to Lady-day 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	205	-	-	Annual Payments - - -	4	5	1
Due to Treasurers, at Lady-day, 1832 - - - - -	38	16	5	Repairs - - - - -	20	-	-
				Exhibitions - - - - -	30	-	-
				Benefactions - - - - -	24	-	-
				To Treasurers - - -	165	11	4
£.	243	16	5	£.	243	16	5

This Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty, in pursuance of the Will of Thomas Lane, of the City of Coventry, Gentleman, 10th Jan. 1656, and Decrees of the Court of Chancery.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## COLLINS'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Lady-day 1831 to Lady-day 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	100	-	-	Apprentices - - - - -	243	-	-
Balance due from Bailiff - - -	150	-	-	Bailiff - - - - -	5	8	-
				Balance in Treasurer's hands	1	12	-
£.	250	-	-	£.	250	-	-

The above Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, under the Will of Samuel Collins, dated 12th Dec. 1721; and Codicil, dated 18th of same month, and disposed of as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## JESSON'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Michaelmas 1831 to Michaelmas 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	215	-	-	Apprentices - - - - -	18	-	-
Balance due from Treasurers	108	15	6	Bread - - - - -	17	12	-
				Decayed Freemen - - -	11	-	-
				Widows - - - - -	10	-	-
				Kindred - - - - -	8	-	-
				Sermon - - - - -	1	-	-
				Churchwardens - - -	1	5	-
				Poor - - - - -	104	10	-
				Bailiff - - - - -	10	19	-
£.	323	15	6	Balance due from Treasurers	141	9	6
				£.	323	15	6

The above Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, under the Will of Thomas Jesson, dated 28th July 1634, and disposed of as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## BABLAKE BOYS' HOSPITAL.—Annual Expense, 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rents received during the year 1832 - - - - -	1,343	15	1	Maintenance of Boys in the Hospital - - - - -	268	-	4
The Annual Rental is £. 917. 2.: the overplus is Arrears paid up.				Premiums with ditto - put apprentice - - - - -	116	10	-
Balance due from Bankers, 31st Dec. 1832 - - -	285	8	9	Schoolmaster and Stationery - - -	46	15	6
				Taxes and Levies - - -	8	11	8
				Repairs at the Hospital - - -	4	13	3
				Ditto, on the Estates, £. 17 7 6			
				Ditto, to be repaid again by the Lessee, S. Barton } 391 12 7			
£.	1,629	3	10	On account of building new School and House - - -	409	-	1
				Annual Payments, according to Donor's Will - - -	400	-	-
				Bailiffs' Salary and Receipt Stamps - - - - -	42	15	7
				Balance in Banker's hands	26	11	5
				The average Expense for maintenance of Boys in the Hospital, during the three preceding years, was £. 483. 15.	306	6	-
				£.	1,629	3	10

The above Estates are vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, under a Deed, made by Thomas Wheatley, 7th April, (5th Queen Elizabeth,) and disposed of as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*Coventry*—continued.

## CHAMBERS' CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account from Lady-day 1831 to Lady-day 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	20	-	-	Churchwardens of St. Michael	19	-	-
				Bailiff - - - - -	1	-	-
	£.	20	-		£.	20	-

The above Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, by the Will of Joseph Chambers, dated 26th Feb. 1684, and disposed of as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## SYMCOX'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account, from St. Thomas 1831 to St. Thomas 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	6	-	-	Apprentices - - - - -	6	-	-

The above is a fixed annual Payment, payable out of the Craven Arms Inn (late White Bear Inn) in Coventry, and to be applied as herein mentioned, by the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, under a Deed, dated 2d June 1705, by the co-heirs of Joseph Symcox.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

## CROW'S CHARITY ESTATE.—ABSTRACT of Account, from Michaelmas 1831 to Michaelmas 1832.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Rental - - - - -	127	-	-	Annual Payments - - - - -	1	16	4
				Repairs - - - - -	8	3	10
				Soughing - - - - -	9	14	-
				Pensioners - - - - -	35	4	-
				Summoner - - - - -	2	2	-
				Poor - - - - -	63	9	1
				Bailiff - - - - -	6	10	9
	£.	127	-		£.	127	-

The above Estate is vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, by the Will of Thomas Crow, of the City of Coventry, Sadler, dated 17th Dec. 1707, to be disposed of as herein mentioned.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Coventry*.

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS AND TRADES.
Nathan Norman - - (dead) - -	Ribbon Manufacturer.
John Williamson - - (dead) - -	Builder.
Benjamin Butterworth - (dead) - -	Mercer and Draper.
William Stanbridge - (dead) - -	Ribbon Manufacturer.
Samuel Whitwell - - (dead) - -	Surgeon.
John Mullis - - - (dead) - -	Sadler.
Francis Perkins - - - (dead) - -	Farmer and Grazier.
Basil Goode - - - (amoved) - -	Same.
Samuel Vale - - - - -	Watch Manufacturer.
Skears Rew - - - (dead) - -	Gentleman, and knighted a few days afterwards.
John Clarke - - - (dead) - -	Late Ribbon Manufacturer (then retired from trade.)
William Perkins - - (dead) - -	Mercer and Draper.
Nathaniel Merridew - - -	Bookseller and Printer (now retired from trade.)
Thomas Hall - - - (dead) - -	Ribbon and Watch Manufacturer.
James Weare - - - - -	Nursery and Seedsman (now retired from trade.)
William Carter - - - - -	Late Innkeeper, and, previously to his Election, retired from trade.
William Whittem - - (dead) - -	Liquor Merchant.
Joseph Phillips - - - - -	Maltster, Farmer and Grazier.
Thomas Morris - - - - -	Late Ribbon Manufacturer (now retired from trade.)
William Hall - - - - -	Ribbon and Watch Manufacturer.
William Douglas - - - - -	Late Ironmonger (now retired from trade.)
William Hawkes - - - - -	Ribbon Manufacturer (now retired from trade.)
Richard Kevitt Rotherham (now the Mayor.)	Watch Manufacturer.

*John Carter, Town Clerk.*



## CORPORATION OF DARTMOUTH.

THE property of the Corporation of Clifton Dartmouth Hardness consists of the manor, tithes and advowson of Townstal ; the rents of seats in the church of Saint Saviour in the said borough, being the Mayor's chapel ; sundry houses, gardens and lands within the parishes of Saint Saviour's, Saint Petrox and Townstal, and in the parish of East Porttemouth ; a lease of the Water Bailiwick of the Duchy of Cornwall, with the dues payable thereon to the Duke of Cornwall ; some petty customs or dues on landing certain goods within the borough ; the tolls arising from the market.

The way in which the lands within the parishes of Saint Saviour's, Saint Petrox Townstal and East Porttemouth were acquired, is not known ; it appearing, from old counterparts of leases, that they have been the property of the body corporate for some hundred years. The houses, gardens and lands within the first three parishes are almost all leased to different persons for terms of seventy-nine years absolute, under small conventional rents, and those leases are constantly renewed from time to time for a fine calculated according to the yearly value by a fixed scale, provided the lessees apply for that purpose at any time before fifty-nine years of the term have expired. The lands in Porttemouth are leased for a term of ninety-nine years, determinable on lives. The manor, tithes and advowson of Townstal were acquired by purchase from the funds of the body corporate.

The Water Bailiwick of the Duchy of Cornwall has been in possession of the body corporate from its first grant, and has been held sometimes by lease and sometimes in fee ; it is now held under a lease for ninety-nine years, determinable on two lives, granted to the body corporate by the late King, when Prince of Wales, in 1792, in consideration of the sum of £.90 and the surrender of a then existing lease, under the yearly rent of £. 14. 13. 4.

The corporation are also entitled to certain petty customs (of small amount), coeval probably with the borough. They also receive the rents of seats in Saint Saviour's (the Mayor's chapel), paid in lieu of a subscription at Easter, there being neither an income for the clergyman, nor any church rates payable by the parish. The tolls of a market, built under an Act of Parliament passed in the year 1815.

The Funds arising from the before-mentioned sources are applied as follows :

In paying the Minister, the Clerk, the Sexton, the Organist and Singers, the Chimers and Ringers ; for lighting the church for evening service on Sundays ; for sacramental wine ; for repairs of the edifice, insurance from fire, and all other incidental expenses ; the Mayor, for the various expenses of the mayoralty ; the Recorder ; the Town Clerk, for his attendance on the magistrates, body corporate and law charges ; the Coroner ; the Town Serjeants ; the Quay Master ; the Collector of the Dues of the Duchy of Cornwall ; the Accountant and Receiver of the chief rents, seat rents, market tolls, tithes, &c. ; the Gaoler, and expense of the gaol ; the repairs houses, market-place, conduits, reservoirs and water-pipes for supplying the public conduits, roads, quays, landing places, &c. ; subscriptions for improving the town, public charities, &c. ; paying the interest of money borrowed and bearing interest.

The Corporation having been obliged, for the purpose of building the new market-place, increasing the accommodation in the church, paying heavy law expenses, to which they have been driven, and other casual circumstances, to borrow a large sum of money, are now considerably in debt ; the whole of which will be paid off in a few years, according to the terms agreed on, unless any unforeseen circumstance should arise to interrupt the payment of any part of the income or its due administration.

In the foregoing account, the Charities under the direction of the body corporate, and which are of small amount, are not included, as a very full account of them can be seen in the Report of the Commissioners for inquiring into Charities for the county ; and it is only necessary to say that those charities are duly applied.

The persons who, by virtue of their election to corporate offices, have become Magistrates, and acted as such during the last twenty years, are as follow :—The Rev. Charles Holdsworth, clerk ; Arthur Hunt, merchant ; Henry Joseph Holdsworth, banker ; Joseph Hake Sparke, esq. Comptroller of the Customs ; Arthur Howe Holdsworth, esq. and a Magistrate for the county of Devon ; Nicholas Brooking, esq. Collector of the Customs ; the Rev. Robert Holdsworth, clerk, and a Magistrate for the county of Devon ; Nicholas Brooking, jun. solicitor ; Henry Holdsworth, merchant ; Edward Brooking, esq. Collector of the Customs ; Francis Whitney, a master in the Navy ; Richard Langworthy Hingston, jun. merchant ; and James Strong, landing-waiter in the Customs. The before-mentioned persons having acted as Magistrates in their respective capacities of Mayor and last preceding Mayor.

Pierce Joseph Taylor, esq. and Arthur Howe Holdsworth, esq. both of whom were County Magistrates, have acted as Magistrates within the borough by virtue of their election to the office of Recorder, and the latter is the present Recorder.

The Town Clerk (who is my son) being at present absent from home for change of air, occasioned by ill health, I have been obliged to act on his behalf for some weeks.

*Walter Prideaux.*

## CORPORATION OF DAVENTRY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*William Parker*, esq. by Will, dated 6 April 1576, devised certain estates at Upwich, in Hertfordshire, to trustees, to pay, amongst other things, 10*l.* per annum to six poor persons, called Beadsmen, belonging to and residing at Daventry.

Besides the 10*l.* yearly under Mr. Parker's Will, as above, the beadsmen receive 9*l.* yearly from Mr. John Sawbridge's bequest of 100*l.* vested in the Cosford Charity School Estate; 9*l.* 18*s.* yearly from 200*l.* bequeathed by Mr. John Watters in 1762, and 100*l.* by Mrs. Mary Watters in 1762, both now secured in mortgage on the Moot Hall; 5*l.* yearly from the Boddington Estate, hereafter noticed, arising out of Mrs. Mary Walford's Will in 1765; and 30*l.* yearly from the said estate arising out of Mr. Edward Sawbridge's Will in 1772.

By Indenture, dated 1 May 1745, reciting, That *William Sawbridge*, of Daventry, gent. by Will, 20 February 1718-9, gave 10*l.* to the Charity School at Daventry for teaching one poor boy, which sum was then in the hands of his son and executor, Edward Sawbridge, as also a benefaction of 10*l.* to the school from Thomas Wilson, of Newnham, gent.

That *Edward Maynard*, late of Boddington, D. D. by Will, 21 December 1726, gave to the corporation of Daventry 300*l.* towards settling and maintaining a Charity School there for teaching poor children to read, write and cast accounts.

That *Peter Sutch*, late of Daventry, gent. by Will, 7 July 1731, gave to the bailiff and burgesses, and trustees of the Charity School there, 100*l.* the interest to be applied annually to placing a poor child apprentice.

That *Eleanor Bromwich*, of Daventry, widow, in her life, at the desire of her daughter, Shuckburgh Bromwich, deceased, gave 40*l.* for the benefit of the Charity School at Daventry.

That *Thomas Thornton*, of Brockhall, esq. in his life time, gave 300*l.* in order to promote so good an undertaking, and in aid of the purchase of the hereinafter mentioned estate.

That *John Sawbridge*, late of Daventry, gent. by Will, 11 August 1740, gave to the corporation of Daventry 50*l.*, to be applied for the benefit of the English Charity School there, at their discretion; 100*l.* the interest to be annually divided between the Parish Clerk and Sexton, for their constant attendance at the morning prayers daily throughout the year; and 100*l.*, the interest to be annually paid by the chamberlain, in equal portions, to the six poor men called the Beadsmen, at the same time they receive Mr. Parker's charity, reserving to himself 1*l.* for his trouble.

That *Frances Thompson*, late of Daventry, widow, and daughter of William Sawbridge, gent. by Will, 24 June 1738, gave to the bailiff and the four eldest burgesses of Daventry 100*l.*, the interest to be annually divided on the 9th February amongst 15 poor widows there, as the majority of the said trustees should think fit.

That *John Snart*, late citizen of London, by Will 1744, gave to the parish of Daventry, where he was born, 100*l.*, the interest to be distributed in bread every Sunday to such poor people of the parish as shall come constantly to church.

And reciting also, amongst other reasons for consolidating the above charities, that it was conceived the intended purchase would be very advantageous and beneficial, in regard the estate intended to be conveyed was then of the value of, and actually cost the said Edward Sawbridge (the vendor) at the time he purchased it, 1,500*l.*, and the above legacies and benefactions amounted to no more than 1,210*l.*; and that Edward Sawbridge was willing and desirous to add and contribute the surplus or over value of the estate for the above charitable purposes, and especially towards augmenting the revenues of the Charity School, it was witnessed, that in consideration of 1,210*l.* the said Edward Sawbridge, of Daventry, gent. conveyed a freehold estate of about 75 acres at Cosford, in the parish of Newbold-upon-Avon, Warwickshire, by appointment of the bailiff, burgesses and commonalty of Daventry, to seven trustees, in trust to apply the rents in certain proportions for the support of the Charity School, and to the specific uses of the miscellaneous bequests of John Sawbridge, Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Snart. The trustees were empowered to make, from time to time, such orders for the management of the school, as the majority of them, in conjunction with the bailiff of the borough and the minister of the parish of Daventry, who were to be considered additional and standing trustees, might deem proper; in pursuance of which power, several judicious regulations were introduced into the last trust deed executed in 1821; and it is further agreed, that the trustees shall yearly, on the last Sunday in October, procure some gentleman in holy orders to preach a sermon in the parish church of Daventry for the benefit of the said charity school, and that two or more of the trustees shall collect at the church doors, after both the morning and afternoon service, the voluntary contributions of all charitable and well-disposed persons.

The Cosford Estate is now let on lease for 125*l.* per annum, of which 89*l.* is appropriated to the school: to which is to be added 4*l.* per annum, under the Will of Mr. Edward Sawbridge, in 1772, and a fund of 1,100*l.* 3 per cent. Reduced Consols, producing 33*l.* per annum, arising from the charity sermons, &c.

The present finances of the trustees enable them to clothe and educate 24 boys and 6 girls.

The Boys' School is kept in a part of the Old Priory, and is now combined with a Bellian or National School established in 1813, and supported by donations and annual subscriptions.

The trustees of the Cosford Estate allot 9*l.* to Mr. J. Sawbridge's gift to the parish clerk and sexton; 9*l.* to his gift to the beadsmen; 9*l.* to Mrs. Thompson's gift to the widows; 9*l.* to Mr. Snart's gift to the poor, for their respective shares of the rent, and the surplus, after the school payment is distributed.

Bryan

*Bryan Abbey*, of Daventry, yeoman, by Will, in 1624, and *Mrs. Hannah Slough*, of Oxford, a native of this town, by Will, in 1684, gave 60*l.* each to the poor of Daventry; with which a close of about three acres in Daventry has been purchased, and the rent, now 12 *l.* per annum, is distributed weekly in bread.

*Timothy Newton*, of Middleburgh, in Zealand, born in Daventry, by Will, in 1656, and *Erasmus Dryden*, esq. by Will, in 1708, gave 100*l.* each to the poor of Daventry. These sums were laid out in land, which was resold to advantage, and the money vested in the Three per Cent. Consols. It is now placed in mortgage on the Moot Hall, and the interest annually distributed.

*Richard Farmer*, of Daventry, gent. by Will, 18 September 1662, directed that after the decease of his aunt, *Mrs. Dorothy Norwood*, and his cousin, *Edward Farmer*, or any other person to whom the term for years of his messuages, lands, &c. in Daventry and Drayton, holden of Christ Church College, Oxford, should be conveyed and assigned by his executors, pursuant to his Will, the executors, administrators and assigns of such devisee, should not only, during the residue of the term, but also during every future term granted by the College, pay out of the rents and profits, to the bailiff of Daventry and the three senior burgesses of the corporation, 30*l.* yearly, in trust, within one week after receiving the same, to pay two parts thereof to the vicar of Daventry and his successors, and distribute the other third part among the poor of the parish of Daventry according to their discretion.

He entreated and desired the College of Christ Church to assist his charitable intention whenever they made a new lease or grant of the said premises, by providing in any way, most apt and convenient, that they should be charged with the aforesaid payment of 30*l.* yearly; and conjured the bailiff, burgesses and the rest of the parishioners of Daventry not to shorten their allowance to the poor hereafter by reason of his gift, but rather enlarge it, that what he had given might be, as he intended, for the advantage of the poor, and not of the rich. The rent charge continues to be paid by the lessee of the College.

*Mrs. Mary Watters*, of Daventry, by Will, 5 June 1762, gave 100*l.* for the relief of the poor of Daventry, to be applied at the discretion of her executors, who appointed the bailiff, justice and three senior burgesses to distribute the interest annually, in 5*s.* each, among poor widows or other necessitous housekeepers.

*Mrs. Eleanor Bromwich*, of Daventry, by Will, in 1762, gave 42 *l.*, the interest of which is also annually distributed amongst the poor widows and necessitous housekeepers.

*Mrs. Mary Walford*, of Daventry, by Will, in 1765, gave 200*l.* for the benefit of the poor of Daventry, and 100*l.* to the six beadsmen there. By deed of 20 January 1777, reciting the purchase of the Boddington Estate (hereafter mentioned), and that the above legacy of 100*l.* was part of the consideration money, and that the other legacy of 200*l.* was expended in building on and improving the estate, the trustees covenanted with *Henry Sawbridge*, esq. nephew of the testatrix, to pay two seventeenth parts of the clear annual rent to poor persons of Daventry, of his appointment, or in default at their own discretion, and another seventeenth part to the six poor beadsmen there.

*Edward Sawbridge*, of Daventry, gent. by Will, in 1772, gave 1,400*l.* for charitable purposes in Daventry, to be invested in land, in trust to pay yearly 4*l.* to the Master of the charity school; 2*l.* to the Recorder; 1*l.* to the Town Clerk; 5*l.* to the Serjeants at Mace; 1*l.* for a sermon on Good Friday; 10*l.* for placing a poor boy apprentice; and the surplus to the poor. With this legacy, combined with *Mrs. Walford's*, a freehold estate of about 73½ acres at Boddington was purchased in 1776, and conveyed to the bailiff, recorder and town clerk, and six other trustees. It is now let on lease for 128 *l.* per annum; and after the stipulated payments, 30*l.* is appropriated to the beadsmen, and the residue is distributed on St. Thomas's-day, in sums not less than 5*s.* nor more than 7*s.* 6*d.* each among the poor.

The Poor's Close in Drayton, containing three acres, is let for 11 *l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* per annum.

The Corporation Funds, of which they have the absolute disposal, consist of 560*l.*, which is secured on mortgage of the Moot Hall and rates, under a local Act of Parliament for the repair of the streets of Daventry.

28 June 1833.

*E. S. Burton*,  
Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Daventry.

1812 *William Morris* - - - *Grazier.*  
1813 *John Wildegose* - - - *Surgeon.*  
1814 *Samuel Montgomery* - - *Gentleman.*  
1815 *Robert Wildegose* - - - *Surgeon.*  
1816 *John Smith* - - - - *Banker.*  
1817 *Thomas Adams* - - - - *Grazier.*  
1818 *Benj<sup>e</sup> Wymont Palmer* - *Wine Merchant.*  
1819 *Charles Rattray* - - - *Doctor of Physic.*  
1820 *Thomas Marfell* - - - *Wine Merchant.*  
1821 *William Head* - - - - *Grazier.*  
1822 *George Mallaber* - - - *Innkeeper.*

1823 *John Hall* - - - - *Banker.*  
1824 *Samuel Cox* - - - - *Artist.*  
1825 *Thomas Sanders* - - - *Schoolmaster.*  
1826 *Robert Wildegose* - - - *Surgeon.*  
1827 *Benj<sup>e</sup> Wymont Palmer* - *Wine Merchant.*  
1828 *John Hall, jun.* - - - *Banker.*  
1829 *John Wilson* - - - - *Innkeeper.*  
1830 *Charles Rattray* - - - *Doctor of Physic*  
1831 *William Head* - - - - *Grazier.*  
1832 *Edward Thompson* - - - *Surgeon.*

28 June 1833.

*E. S. Burton*,  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF DEAL.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Bethel Daws*, Esq. left 80*l.* Old South Sea Annuities, the interest to be given in bread, by the Mayor and Jurats of Deal to the poor, every Easter Monday.

*Thomas Ashington*, Esq. left 200 Three per Cent. Consols, the dividends of which (6*l.* a year) for ever, to be laid out in bread, for those only who receive no other benefit from the parish.

Both of the above sums of stock now stand in the names of the Mayor and Jurats, and their periodical proceeds are distributed as directed by their donors.

The Tolls of the Markets for provisions established under the Charter of Incorporation, are let by the year at 66*l.*, and those of a weigh-bridge average annually 13*l.* 10*s.*: these sums (with those derivable from a few freedoms of the town voluntarily taken up in respect of birth, marriage or apprenticeship, and which are insignificant) are applied in paying interest at 4*l.* per cent. upon a debt of 1,000*l.* raised by subscription, for building the Town-hall, Market-place, Gaoler's House and Prison, Repairs, the Town Clerk's salary of 10*l.*, and other municipal expenses, (naught for feasts or refreshments), and as to any surplus, in the gradual discharge of the debt, which was at first 1,250*l.* in the year 1805, at 5*l.* per cent.

14 February 1833.

*Jas. Leith*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Deal.

- \* James Shipdem; first, hardwareman and brazier, next a banker, and lastly out of business.
- † John Hollams; first, tailor, next a banker, now retired and recently knighted.
- \* † John May, attorney-at-law and banker; has left the place some years.
- \* † Richard Long, stationer; retired from the Corporation.
- \* † Isaac Gammon, a retired boat-builder; dead.
- \* † John Hammond, ship-agent and dealer in marine stores; left the place.
- \* † Thomas Shipdem, hardwareman and brazier, lastly retired from business.
- † Edward Iggulden, ship-agent, brewer, and dealer in marine stores.
- † John Iggulden; first, a tailor, next a banker, and now retired from business.
- † John Mercer, attorney-at-law.
- † Comfort Kingmill, cabinet-maker and auctioneer; retired from business.
- \* † Christopher Fulford Coleman, linen-draper; not now of the Corporation.
- † Richard May Christian, tailor and slop-seller.
- † George Hammond, coal-merchant, ship-agent and dealer in marine stores.
- † Benjamin Hulke, attorney-at-law.
- \* † William Brame Elwyn, Esquire - - Recorder
- \* † Thomas Evance, Esquire - - - Recorder
- † William Fuller Boteler, Esquire - - Recorder

*N. B.*—Those marked thus † were or are permanent Justices.

Those thus \* dead, removed or retired from the Corporation.

Those thus ‡ were Magistrates merely as Mayors, or their deputies.

14 February 1833.

*Jas. Leith*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF DENBIGH.

CHARITABLE FUNDS - - - None.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Denbigh.

*N. B.*—They are only Magistrates during their respective years of office.

CHRISTIAN and SURNAMES.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.	WHEN ELECTED.
The Reverend Thomas Clough	Clerk - - -	} 29 Sept. 1812.
Hugh Lloyd	Esquire - - -	
John Copner Williams	Attorney at Law - - -	
John Parry	Gentleman Farmer - - -	} — 1813.
David Lloyd	Esquire - - -	
John Hughes	Attorney at Law - - -	} — 1814.
The same John Hughes	Attorney at Law - - -	
George Cumming	Esquire, M. D. - - -	} — 1815.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

CHRISTIAN and SURNAMES.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.	WHEN ELECTED.
The same John Hughes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	29 Sept. 1816.
The same George Cumming - - - -	Esquire, M. D. - - - -	
The same Hugh Lloyd - - - -	Esquire - - - -	
Robert Myddelton - - - -	Esquire - - - -	— 1817.
Samuel Edwardes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1818.
The Rev. Robert Chambres Chambres	Clerk - - - -	
John Wynne Griffith - - - -	Esquire - - - -	— 1819.
The same John Copner Williams - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	
John Heaton - - - -	Esquire - - - -	— 1820.
The same David Lloyd - - - -	Esquire - - - -	
The same John Hughes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1821.
The same George Cumming - - - -	Esquire, M. D. - - - -	
John Williams - - - -	Tanner - - - -	— 1822.
The same John Hughes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	
The same John Copner Williams - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1823.
Howell Powell Clough - - - -	Esquire - - - -	
The same John Williams - - - -	Tanner - - - -	— 1824.
The same John Parry - - - -	Gentleman Farmer - - - -	
Richard Lloyd Williams - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	— 1825.
Thomas Evans - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	
The same John Hughes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1826.
The same Samuel Edwardes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	
The same John Hughes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1827.
The same John Parry - - - -	Gentleman Farmer - - - -	
David Hughes - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	— 1828.
The same Thomas Evans - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	
The same Hugh Lloyd - - - -	Esquire - - - -	— 1829.
James Vaughan Horne - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	
The same Samuel Edwardes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1830.
John Williams - - - -	Esquire, M. D. - - - -	
The same Samuel Edwardes - - - -	Attorney at Law - - - -	— 1831.
Charles Sankey - - - -	Banker - - - -	
The same John Copner Williams - - - -	Esquire - - - -	— 1832.
Thomas Hughes - - - -	Draper - - - -	

The property at present belonging to the Corporation of Denbigh, consists of some freehold land in the parish of Henllan, in the borough of Denbigh, allotted to the Corporation under an Act of Parliament passed in the 42d Geo. 3, for inclosing the Commons in the parish of Henllan, in lieu of right of common enjoyed by the Burgesses of the borough of Denbigh, upon the forest of Lleweny, under the charter of the borough granted by King Charles the Second. The land now produces an annual rent of 90*l.* Also, of the Tolls taken at the Fairs and Markets held at Denbigh, which Tolls were granted to the Corporation by the charter above-mentioned, and are let out at an annual rent, varying in amount in different years, from 60*l.* to 200*l.* The rent for the present year is 200*l.*, subject to taxes, which are about 40*l.* Also, of a field, in the parish of Henllan, called Accar y Forwyn, of which the officers of the corporation are trustees, and the rent of which, amounting to about 40*l.* per annum, is applied by them towards the support of a Free Grammar School in the town of Denbigh, at which the sons of freemen of the town are entitled to be educated gratis. The remainder of the property of the Corporation consists of sundry ground-rents payable from several houses in the town, built on land let out by the Corporation on long leases, on the assumption that under the charter, the officers of the Corporation are entitled to the waste lands within the town. These rents, amounting to about 25*l.* or 30*l.* per annum, are for the most part distributed annually at Christmas, amongst the poor inhabitants of the town, at the discretion of the officers of the Corporation for the time being. There are also King's Rents received annually by the same officers from houses in the town, amounting to about 7*l.* per annum, which are annually paid over to the King's Auditor for Wales.

Until within the last few years, the Rent arising from the land first mentioned has been annually distributed amongst the Burgesses, upon the principle of its being a substitution for their former right of common. But their number having now increased so considerably, the pittance to each would be so trifling when divided amongst them, that this practice has been discontinued. Until within the same period, the four annually elected officers of the Corporation, namely, the Aldermen and Sheriffs, have been accustomed to divide between them, the rents of the tolls, and of laying the same out in a dinner to the officers of the Corporation, upon the days of the Quarter Sessions held for the borough; but this practice has now also been discontinued for three or four years past, and the rents of the land and tolls are now, for the most part, expended in subscriptions to various public charities, and in contributions towards the lighting of the streets, the repair of the roads within the parish, and the general improvement of the town; also, in the payment of the salaries of the various subordinate officers attached to the Corporation, and the different expenses incident thereto. Given under my hand, this 12th day of March 1833.

*J. Vaughan Horne,*

Deputy Town Clerk of the said borough of Denbigh.

## CORPORATION OF DERBY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The following are the CHARITIES under the Order or Disposition of the Corporation of *Derby*.

Sir Thomas White's Charity.  
The Reverend John Walton's.  
William Botham's.  
Richard Crowshaw's.  
Francis Ash's.  
Countess of Devonshire's.

Anthony Glossopp's.  
Edward Osborne's.  
Jane Walton's.  
William Walthall's.  
Richard Kilbie's; and  
John Storer's.

*Sir Thomas White's Charity.* In the year 1566. *The Fund.*—The said Sir Thomas White founded a Charity, extending (amongst other cities and boroughs) to the borough of Derby. The corporation have, at various times, received the several sums of 200 *l.*, 250 *l.*, 300 *l.* and 250 *l.*, the last sum being that received from the Chamber of Bristol in December 1815, making together the sum of 1,000 *l.*, to be laid out in the sum of 25 *l.* each for 10 years, (interest free) to young men, freemen of the said borough.

*How applied.*—Which said sum of 1,000 *l.* is applied and distributed accordingly.

*The Rev. John Walton's Charity.* 19th May 1603. *The Fund.*—The said John Walton, by will, gave to or otherwise vested in the corporation 100 *l.*, which he directed to be lent on bond to ten poor men, tradesmen of Derby, for four years, interest free.

*How applied.*—Of the above, the sum of 30 *l.* has been lent to three applicants, on the security mentioned in the donor's will. The remaining sum of 70 *l.* remains in the hands of the corporation, to be advanced when applied for.

*William Botham's Charity.* 7th February 1603. *The Fund.*—The said William Botham, by his will of this date, gave to or vested in the corporation the sum of 100 *l.* to be lent to five poor men, for six years, interest free.

*How applied.*—Of this sum, 80 *l.* is advanced to four poor men of the borough, as directed by the will, and the remaining 20 *l.* is in the hands of the corporation, to be lent out when applied for.

*Richard Crowshaw's Charity.* 27th July 1630. *The Fund.*—The said Richard Crowshaw, by deed of this date, vested in the corporation the sum of 200 *l.*, to be lent to ten poor tradesmen, burgesses of the borough, in sums of 20 *l.* each, for three years, interest free.

*How applied.*—Of the above sum, 180 *l.* has been advanced to nine poor burgesses, according to the directions of the donor; the remaining 20 *l.* is in the hands of the corporation, to be advanced when applied for.

*Francis Ash's Charity.* 19th June 1657. *The Fund.*—The said Francis Ash, by will, vested in the trustees for the Goldsmiths' Company certain estates in London, of the annual value of 63 *l.*, upon trust, to pay to the corporation the annual sum of 20 *l.*, to be applied by them as follows: viz. 10 *l.* to the minister of the parish church of St. Werburgh's yearly, for ever; 3 *l.* yearly to the churchwardens and overseers of the said parish, for the poor thereof, and 7 *l.* to be disposed of by the corporation in putting out apprentice one or two children, being the sons of the inhabitants.

*How applied.*—The above sum is annually received from the Goldsmiths' Company, and applied according to the direction of the testator.

*The Countess of Devonshire's Charity.* 1764.—The Countess of Devonshire, by a codicil to her will, gave 100 *l.* to raise 6 *l.* per annum, to be yearly distributed to the poor of Derby, on the 20th of June.

For the application of this and the five succeeding Charities, see next page.

*Anthony Glossopp's Charity.*—The said Anthony Glossopp gave 20 *l.*, but by what deed or instrument does not appear, to raise 30 *s.* per annum for ever, for the use of the poor of the borough, payable on Good Friday.

*Edward Osborne's Charity.*—The said Edward Osborne gave 50 *s.* yearly, issuing out of Chester Green, to the poor of this borough, in the neighbourhood of which the corporation have certain lands.

The instruments by which this and the preceding donations were given have not been found.

*Jane Walton's Charity.* 1605.—Jane Walton, by her will, vested in the corporation 40 *l.*, and directed that the interest thereof should be given to the poor of Derby, on Christmas Eve, and Good Friday.

The annual sum of 3 *l.* has for a great length of time been paid by the corporation as the interest of this legacy.

*William Walthall's Charity.* 16th July 1608.—The said William Walthall, by will, gave to or otherwise vested in the corporation the sum of 100 *l.* to be lent out to four young men, occupiers and traders in Derby, by 25 *l.* apiece for five years, and then to four others, young men, from five years to five years, for ever, putting in two good sureties besides the principal, and the principal to allow for the use thereof for every year, being 4 *l.* in the whole for the year, to be distributed yearly to the poor of Derby yearly for ever.

This legacy was lent out by the corporation in four sums of 25 *l.* each, from 1630 to 1644; but there is no trace of it having been lent after that time.

The interest of this 100 *l.* at 4 per cent. is now paid by the corporation, and applied in the manner stated in the account of Kilbie's Charity.

*Richard Kilbie's Charity.* 14th July 1619.—The said Richard Kilbie, by indentures of this date, declares that the sum of 20 *l.* had been given to the corporation, to the intent that they and their successors should yearly, on the Friday before Easter, distribute 20 *s.* amongst such of the poor of the parish of All Saints as should stand in need and demand the said sum of 20 *s.*

*Application of the six last-mentioned Charities.*

The yearly interest of the six above-mentioned Charities, viz. those of the Countess of Devonshire, Anthony Glossopp, Edward Osborne, Jane Walton, William Walthall and Richard Kilbie, amounting to 18 *l.*, is paid annually by the chamberlain of the corporation to the churchwardens and overseers of the five parishes in Derby, in the following proportions, and presumed to be fixed on an estimate of the poor in each parish.

	All Saints.	St. Alkmund.	St. Michael.	St. Peter.	St. Werburgh.	TOTAL.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Countess of Devonshire	8 8 -	- 16 -	- 8 -	1 4 -	1 4 -	6 - -
Anthony Glossopp -	- 12 -	- 4 -	- 2 -	- 6 -	- 6 -	1 10 -
Edward Osborne -	1 - -	- 6 8	- 3 4	- 10 -	- 10 -	2 10 -
Jane Walton -	1 4 -	- 8 -	- 4 -	- 12 -	- 12 -	3 - -
William Walthall -	1 12 -	- 10 8	- 5 4	- 16 -	- 16 -	4 - -
Richard Kilbie -	1 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1 - -
£.	7 16 -	2 5 4	1 2 8	3 8 -	3 8 -	18 - -

The said *Richard Crowshaw's* further Charity. 26th April 1691.—The said Richard Crowshaw, by will, gave to or otherwise invested in the corporation the sum of 1,250 *l.*, to the intent that they and their successors should pay—

To a clergyman appointed by the corporation for reading a lecture every Friday in All Saints church	£. s. d.	20 - -
For seven sixpenny loaves, distributed every Sunday at All Saints church	£. s. d.	9 2 -
For a distribution every Sunday of 3 <i>d.</i> each to the seven poor persons who receive the bread		4 11 -
To the parish clerk of All Saints', being the residue of the sum of 15 <i>l.</i>		1 7 -
		15 - -
For eight tenpenny loaves, distributed every Sunday at Mackworth church, to poor persons of Mackworth and Markeaton		17 6 8
For a distribution every Sunday of 6 <i>d.</i> each in money to the eight persons receiving the bread at those places		10 8 -
To the parish clerk of Mackworth, being the residue of the sum of 28 <i>l.</i>		- 5 4
		28 - -
		£. 63 - -

And the said *Richard Crowshaw*, by his said will, gave to the said corporation the sum of 100 *l.*, for a stock, to be lent from three years to three years, unto six, eight or ten poor householders of Mackworth and Markeaton, upon sufficient security being given for the repayment thereof; such poor householders paying yearly for the same 40 *s.* towards the relief of the poorest sort of inhabitants of the said two towns.

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This sum does not appear to have been lent out, no persons able to give the required security being found to accept loans on the required terms; the sum has therefore been placed in the bank of Messrs. Crompton, Newton & Co., who have paid interest thereon, which has been distributed yearly in equal moieties between the Churchwardens of Mäckworth and Markeaton.

20th May 1590.—*John Storer*, by deed, vested in the Corporation the sum of 52*l.* to pay annually 52*s.* as follows: To the vicar of Kirk-Ireton, for preaching a sermon on Trinity Sunday, 10*s.*; for his dinner, 1*s.* To the mayor of Derby, 1*s.*; and to the poor of Kirk-Ireton, the sum of 40*s.*

The Chamberlain of the Corporation annually pays the sum of 2*l.* 12*s.* to the rector of Kirk-Ireton, to be applied according to the intent of the donor.

AN ACCOUNT of the PROPERTY now vested in the Corporation of *Derby*; the Manner in which the same has been acquired; the Purposes for which the same was given; and the Mode in which the same has been disposed of.

	£.	s.	d.
In Little Chester, in the county of Derby, three farm-houses and a cottage, and sundry inclosures and parcels of land, containing together about 280 acres, let to William Prince and others, at the average annual rent for the last ten years, of	791	13	1
In Derby, a silk-mill and tram-shop, now let to Mr. William Taylor, at the annual rent of	140	-	-
Two corn-mills, one of them in hand, the profits of which amount to 60 <i>l.</i> per annum, and the other corn-mill, occupied by Messrs. Denstone & Co., at the annual rent of 100 <i>l.</i> (together)	160	-	-
A house and slaughter-house, in the occupation of William Storer and William Cope, at the annual rent of	13	12	-
The waterworks occupied by Messrs. Evans & Co., at the annual rent of	3	-	-
Seven tenements, in the several occupations of William Collumbell, William Beeland, William Shaw, Thomas Mason, and Messrs. Gamble, at the yearly rents amounting to the sum of	68	13	10
Also three fields, in the occupation of Mr. Brown and Mr. Lakin, at the average annual rent, for the last ten years, of	46	11	10
Also several chief and fee-farm rents, issuing out of several tenements and shops in Derby, and also out of the tithes in Little Eaton and Quarndon, in the county of Derby, at the yearly amount of	35	-	5
The New Pastures and Holmes Pasture, wherein the burgesses are allowed to joist cattle in their own right, the annual produce of which is	45	11	-
Also a small island garden, in the occupation of Mr. Drewry, at the annual rent of	1	1	-
	£. 1,305	3	2

The Tolls and Dues arising from the old and new market, and several shops in the new market, producing the clear annual rent of

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*How acquired.*—The land occupied by Mr. Brown and Mr. Lakin was acquired by purchase, the Corporation having sold land to the Derby Canal Company, and invested the monies arising from such sale in the purchase of those lands. The ground appropriated for the new market was also acquired by purchase, the Corporation borrowing the whole of the money. The remainder of the above property was acquired by grant from Queen Mary, bearing date the 21st of May 1602, by which grant it was made liable to the following payments yearly:—

	£.	s.	d.
To a fee-farm rent, now payable to Hilton Joliffe, Esq. of	38	13	6
To ditto, now payable to Jacob H. Franks, Esq.	24	17	6
To ditto, now payable to Lord Essex	21	5	-
To the Masters of the Free Grammar School	13	16	8
To the Minister of All Saints	7	6	8
To the Vicar of St. Alkmund	7	6	8
To the Recorder	3	6	8

And by charter granted to the Corporation by King Charles, in the year 1688, the same property was consequently subject to the following annual burthens; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
The maintenance of the Borough Gaol.	50	-	-
The gaoler, to whom is allowed the sum of	315	-	-
To six constables, to each of whom is allowed a guinea per week, or yearly	10	-	-
The common crier, to whom is allowed	210	-	-
The mayor, to whom is allowed for his expenses during his mayoralty	40	-	-
And the chamberlain, to whom is allowed			
To the above charges imposed by the grant and charter, an allowance is made by the Corporation to the Vicar of All Saints, in addition to the sum of 7 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> paid to him under the grant of Queen Mary, of	86	13	4
To the master of the Free School, in addition to the sum of 13 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> paid to him under the aforesaid grant of	26	13	4
To a chaplain, for performing divine service in the borough gaol	30	-	-
To the town clerk's yearly salary	45	3	-



	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
To the payment of interest on 3,000 <i>l.</i> borrowed on bond, at 4½ per cent., to purchase the present borough gaol in 1828, and to make the requisite alterations and accommodation for prisoners - -	135	-	-			
And to interest at 4 and 4½ per cent., on debt of 8,500 <i>l.</i> created by the purchase of land for extending the market, and erecting the shops and buildings, the tolls and rents of which are included in the sum of 539 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> with which the Corporation have before charged themselves - - - - -	361	10	-			

*Acquired by Purchase.*—The Corporation are also entitled to a farm in Mackworth, comprising farm-house, and several inclosures or parcels of land, called the Rowditch farm, in the occupation of Mr. Samuel Poyser and Mrs. Kent, containing 120*A.* 3*R.* 11*P.*, producing, on an average of the last 10 years, the annual sum of

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To a field in Litchurch, containing 6*A.*, in the occupation of Mr. Lowe, at the annual rent of

16 10 -

*How acquired.*—In exchange with John Harrison, Esq. for a field containing 6*A.* 2*R.* 10*P.* in the chapelry of Littleover, which was acquired under Queen Mary's grant.

Also to the ground rent of several small tenements, erected upon waste lands in the borough

9 7 6

They are also entitled to the sum of 100*l.*, secured by the bond of the trustees of the new Uttoxeter road, as a compensation for land taken by such trustees from their farm at Rowditch, the interest upon which amounts to

5 - -

And to the sum of 1,000*l.* bank stock, and 20*l.* Four per Cents., the annual dividends on which amount to

80 14 8

But how the stock was acquired cannot be ascertained.

Subject to the before-mentioned charges and payments, the surplus monies become one common fund, and are applied in the following manner :

Repair of roads ;  
The aisle and chancel of All Saints church ;  
Bridges ;  
Taxes ;  
Gas-lights ;  
Insurance of property ;

Dilapidation to the estates ;  
Law expenses ;  
And in the repair and maintenance of the borough gaol, with other incidental expenses to which estates are necessarily liable.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Derby.

The Mayor for the time being is a magistrate during the year he is in office, and for the year ensuing.

In the year 1813 :

Henry Lowe, brewer, was Mayor ;  
Thomas Haden, surgeon, } were  
John Hope, Esquire, } Magistrates.  
Thomas Lowe, brewer, and  
John Crompton, Esquire, }

1814 :

The said Thomas Lowe was Mayor ;  
The said Henry Lowe, } were  
The said John Hope, and } Magistrates.  
The said John Crompton, }

1815 :

Richard Leaper, Esquire, was Mayor ;  
The said Thomas Lowe, } were  
The said John Hope, } Magistrates.  
The said John Crompton, }

1816 :

The Rev. Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, clerk, was Mayor ;  
The said Richard Leaper, } were  
The said John Hope, } Magistrates.  
The said Thomas Lowe, }  
The said John Crompton, }

1817 :

The said John Crompton was Mayor ;  
The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, } were  
The said John Hope, } Magistrates.  
The said Thomas Lowe, }  
The said Richard Leaper, }

1818 :

Samuel Rowland, Esquire, was Mayor ;  
The said John Crompton, } were  
The said John Hope, } Magistrates.  
The said Thomas Lowe, }  
The said Richard Leaper, }

1819 :

The said Thomas Haden, was Mayor ;  
The said Samuel Rowland, } were  
The said Thomas Lowe, } Magistrates.  
The said John Crompton, and }  
The said Richard Leaper, }

1820 :

James Oakes, Esquire, was Mayor  
The said Thomas Haden, } were  
The said Thomas Lowe, } Magistrates.  
The said John Crompton, and }  
The said Richard Leaper, }

1821 :

The said then the Rev. Henry Lowe, clerk, was Mayor ;  
The said James Oakes, } were  
The said Thomas Lowe, } Magistrates.  
The said John Crompton, }  
The said Richard Leaper, and }  
The said Charles Stead Hope, }

1822 :

The said Thomas Lowe was Mayor ;  
The said Henry Lowe, } were  
The said John Crompton, } Magistrates.  
The said Richard Leaper, and }  
The said Charles Stead Hope, }

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

1823:

John Drewry, Esquire, was Mayor;  
 The said Thomas Lowe,  
 The said John Crompton,  
 The said R<sup>d</sup> Leaper, and  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, } were  
 Magistrates.

1824:

The said Richard Leaper was Mayor;  
 The said John Drewry,  
 The said Thomas Lowe,  
 The said John Crompton, and  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, } were  
 Magistrates.

1825:

The said Charles Stead Hope was Mayor;  
 The said Richard Leaper,  
 The said Thomas Lowe, and  
 The said John Crompton, } were  
 Magistrates.

1826:

The said John Crompton was Mayor;  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope,  
 The said Thomas Lowe, and  
 The said Richard Leaper, } were  
 Magistrates.

1827:

The said Samuel Rowland was Mayor;  
 The said John Crompton,  
 The said Thomas Lowe,  
 The said R<sup>d</sup> Leaper, and  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, } were  
 Magistrates.

1828:

John Bell Crompton, Esquire, was Mayor;  
 The said Samuel Rowland,  
 The said John Crompton,  
 The said Thomas Lowe,  
 The said R<sup>d</sup> Leaper, and  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, } were  
 Magistrates.

1829:

William Leaper Newton, Esq. was Mayor;  
 The said J<sup>no</sup> Bell Crompton,  
 The said Thomas Lowe,  
 The said John Crompton,  
 The said R<sup>d</sup> Leaper, and  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope, } were  
 Magistrates.

1830:

The said Charles Stead Hope was Mayor;  
 The said W<sup>m</sup> Leaper Newton,  
 The said Thomas Lowe,  
 The said J<sup>no</sup> Crompton, and  
 The said Richard Leaper, } were  
 Magistrates.

1831:

Charles Matthew Lowe, brewer, was Mayor;  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Stead Hope,  
 The said J<sup>no</sup> Crompton, and  
 The said Richard Leaper, } were  
 Magistrates.

1832:

John Chatterton, glazier, Mayor;  
 The said Richard Leaper,  
 The said Cha<sup>s</sup> Matthew Lowe,  
 The said John Drewry,  
 The said Tho<sup>s</sup> Haden, and  
 The said J<sup>no</sup> Bell Crompton, } were  
 Magistrates.

## CORPORATION OF DEVIZES.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation is possessed of houses, lands and tolls of markets, all applied in paying land-tax; several fee-farm rents, salaries of officers, and for purposes of police; repairs of town-hall, market-houses, &c. &c., roads and sewers, and in annual sums to the Mayors, for expenses of office, law expenses, &c.; no part, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of any individual members of the body.

Town Clerk's Office, Devizes, }  
 20 February 1833.

W. W. Salmon.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS and PROPERTY in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Devizes.

It must be observed that there are no regular accounts of receipts and payments, earlier than 1738; and there is also a hiatus in the entries of proceedings of the Courts of Common Council, from about 1620 to 1688. What is become of the old books is not known; they have never been seen by any of the present body, nor (it is believed) by any of their predecessors, during the last 60 years, (many inquiries having been from time to time made in vain), so that so full a return cannot be made as might be wished.

Sundry messuages and lands in the borough of Devizes which have been, as far back as can be traced, let on leases for 99 years, at quit-rents. The fines on renewals and quit-rents being paid to officers called Wardens of the Almshouse called the Old Almshouse, and by such officers applied in repairs of the almshouse, and in providing furniture, fuel, clothing and other necessities, and in payments every six weeks, to four old women, two selected from each of the two parishes in the borough.

Sundry other messuages and lands held, let and applied exactly in the same manner, for the Almshouse called "The New Almshouse," to which also is paid 1*l.* per annum, under the name of Hort's Charity.

Sundry other messuages and lands held and let in the same manner, the fines and quit-rents of which are applied for the repair of the church of Saint John the Baptist, in the said borough. The Corporation the nominal owners of this property, and grant the terms; but the fines and quit-rents are paid to the Churchwardens and to the Corporate Officers.

It is not known, nor do the Corporation documents show how the property under the above three heads, was acquired; all that is known is, that the fines and rents have been always applied, as above stated.

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The following Sums are paid to the Churchwardens of the parish of *Saint John the Baptist*, according to the supposed under-mentioned particulars.

For Interest of 20 <i>l.</i> said to have been given by the Will of Mary Collins, at 6 per cent., deducting 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> for a sermon	£.	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	-	17	4
Interest of 50 <i>l.</i> said to have been given or left by Griffin Nicholas, at 6 p' cent.	3	-	-
The like, said to have been given by John Pearce	3	-	-
Interest of 20 <i>l.</i> said to have been given by Mrs. Strangeways, deducting 5 <i>s.</i> for a sermon	-	19	-
Interest of 5 <i>l.</i> said to have been given by Michael Nicholas	-	6	-
Ditto - - - ditto - - - Samuel Martin	-	6	-
Ditto 10 <i>l.</i> - - ditto - - - Robert Nicholas	-	12	-
Ditto 10 <i>l.</i> at 5 per cent. - - - Richard Hiller	-	10	-
Half the rent of some tenements (unknown what), the other half paid to the parish of Saint Mary	-	1	19 6
A payment, on what account unknown	-	3	5 -
Interest of 100 <i>l.</i> at 4 per cent. given by Thomas Thurman	-	4	- -

The exact origin of all these sums, except the last, unknown. £. 18 14 10

The following Sums are paid to the Churchwardens of the Parish of the *Virgin Mary*, for the supposed under-mentioned particulars.

The Interest of 150 <i>l.</i> , said to have been given or left by Griffin Nicholas, at 6 per cent.	£.	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	-	9	- -
The Interest of 5 <i>l.</i> , said to have been given by Michael Nicholas, at 6 p' cent.	-	6	-
The Interest of 10 <i>l.</i> , said to have been given by Baron Nicholas, at 6 per cent.	-	12	-
The Interest of 5 <i>l.</i> , said to have been given by Samuel Martin, at 6 per cent.	-	6	-
The Interest of 20 <i>l.</i> , said to have been given by Mrs. Strangeways, at 6 per cent. deducting 5 <i>s.</i> for a sermon	-	19	-
The Interest of 20 <i>l.</i> , said to have been given or left by — Walker or Collier, at 6 per cent. deducting 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> for a sermon	-	17	4
Half the Rent of some tenements (unknown what), the other half paid to the parish of Saint John	-	1	19 6
The Interest of 100 <i>l.</i> at 4 per cent. given by Thomas Thurman	-	4	- -

The exact origin of all these sums, except the last, unknown. £. 17 19 10

Paid annually for teaching 5 poor boys, called Wild's Boys, 2 *l.* 10 *s.*, and for clothing, 3 *l.* 14 *s.* 8 *d.* - - - - - 6 4 8  
(Origin unknown.)

*Memorandum*.—The Master of these boys resides in a house, the property of the Corporation, without any charge for rent. The number of these boys were in August last increased from 5 to 10.

£. 100, given by the Will of Mr. James Maynard to the Corporation, in trust, to pay the interest at 4 *l.* per cent. to a charity school called The Devizes Bear Club School - - - - - 4 - -  
An annual payment made to the Rector of Devizes, particulars unknown, but supposed to include (amongst other things) the sermons above mentioned - 4 17 -

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS.

1812: Henry Butcher - - Woollendrapers.	1823: Said John Singleton Clarke.
1813: John Singleton Clarke Druggist.	1824: Said Thomas Tylee.
1814: James Gent - - - Brewer.	1825: Said John Tylee.
1815: Thomas Tylee - - - Banker.	1826: Said Henry Bayntun.
1816: Stephen Neate, Esq. - (formerly a Grocer.)	1827: Said William Everett.
1817: John Tylee - - - Banker.	1828: Said William Hughes.
1818: Rev. Henry Bayntun - Clerk.	1829: Said Henry Butcher.
1819: William Everett - - Grocer.	1830: John Bayly - - - Solicitor.
1820: William Hughes - - Banker (formerly a Solicitor.)	1831: John North - - - Linendrapers.
1821: Said Henry Butcher.	1832: Said Thomas Biggs.
1822: Thomas Biggs - - - Grocer.	

#### Other JUSTICES for the BOROUGH:

Up to August 1828 - - Henry Lord Viscount Sidmouth, Recorder - - a Barrister-at-Law.  
From August 1828 - - Thomas Grimston Bucknall Estcourt, Esq. - - Barrister-at-Law.  
Up to August 1828 - - Thomas Grimston Bucknall Estcourt, Esq. one of the Capital Burgesses Counsellors, a Justice under the Charter.  
From August 1828 - - Thomas Henry Sutton Bucknall Estcourt, Esq. - - ditto.

## CORPORATION OF DONCASTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The *Doncaster Grammar School*.—The Mayor and Corporation of Doncaster are trustees of the school, and appoint the Master. The school-room is part of the building which constitutes the town-hall, and was formerly the chapel of Saint Magdalen. The emoluments of the Master consist of an annual sum of 80 *l.*, being a voluntary or customary gift by the Corporation of Doncaster, of the rent of a piece of land of nearly an acre, on the Crimpsal, near Doncaster, now or lately let at 3 *l.* a year; the rent of an allotment of 1 *A.* 1 *R.* & 23 *P.* on Potterick Carr, awarded to the trustees of the free school, or an inclosure in 1764, which is now or lately was let at 6 *l.* a year; and the three pews in Doncaster church are of the annual value of about 10 *l.* 10 *s.* per year, for which sum it is understood they have occasionally been let. The land on the Crimpsal was purchased in 1615, with 10 *l.* bequeathed by Robert Binningley, towards the maintenance of the free school for the town and soke of Doncaster, 2 *l.* thereto added by William Greene, clerk, and 1 *l.* given by the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses; and the land was conveyed in trust to the Mayor and certain of the then Aldermen of Doncaster, by deed, dated the 16th day of June 1615. The land on Potterick Carr was allotted by Commissioners on the inclosure, in 1764, as before stated, and the pews were, by faculty from the court of York, it is understood, granted for the school, in order that the master and scholars thereof might sit therein, and attend divine service in the parish church. There is in the possession of the corporation of Doncaster, relating to the school, the deed 1615 above mentioned. The returns of the Commissioners under the Act of Edward the Sixth, for dissolution of charities, have, it is understood, been examined in the Augmentation Office, with a view to ascertain whether any charity lands were appropriated to the support of the Grammar School at Doncaster; but it is also understood that they contain no mention of that school. The present master is the Rev. Henry Cape, M. A. and Fellow of Caius College, Cambridge. The Corporation, upon his election, agreed to pay him an additional sum of 20 *l.* per annum, in addition to the 80 *l.* per annum, and in addition to the other aforesaid school funds, whenever the number of scholars, being the sons of freemen or free burgesses of the borough of Doncaster aforesaid, educated by him, should exceed the number of twenty. The present master is appointed on the following conditions; namely, that he shall, during so long time as he hold the office, faithfully, and to the best of his ability and judgment, perform in person, and with such assistance as shall be required, the duties of the same; and shall regularly attend the school on all proper occasions, and according to the rules and regulations adopted in schools generally, of a similar kind, for the purpose of teaching the classics to all such sons of freemen or free burgesses of the borough of Doncaster aforesaid, as may be admitted into the said school; and also for instructing them in writing, arithmetic, mathematics, and all other branches of English education, which their respective parents may wish them to learn; and that the master will once in every year, at the least, cause a general examination of the scholars admitted into the said school, and adjudge and award as a premium or premiums to the most deserving, any sum or sums of money, prize or prizes, medal or medals which may be provided for the purpose. Further, that the master will reside in Doncaster, and not elsewhere, and will not take or hold the curacy of Doncaster (the duties of which are constant and arduous, and would, it is presumed, interfere with the regular punctual school attendance), nor any curacy, benefice or other employment whatsoever, which could or might interfere with or prevent him from duly attending to and performing the duties of his office as master. The master is to be at liberty to charge for each freeman's son, who shall be properly instructed by him or his assistants in any branch of education, the sum of 4 *l.* per annum. He is to be at liberty to take any number of boarders or day-scholars, being sons of respectable non-freemen, and to fix his own terms for their education, and he is not to be prevented from holding any curacy, benefice or other ecclesiastical preferment (except the curacy of Doncaster), which may not be liable to interfere with or prevent him from duly attending to and performing the duties of his office as master.

When a vacancy occurred, the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses caused advertisements to be inserted in the London, Oxford, Cambridge and Doncaster papers. The present master was not known to any one person in Doncaster. The electors determined to choose the one whose testimonials and qualifications were the most superior; and although there were many applications from gentlemen in the neighbourhood, Mr. Cape was elected, solely because he was deemed best qualified for the office.

*Hollis's Charity*.—The following charity does not appear to be one which the Town Clerk is required to return; he has, however, thought it best to mention it. The Trustees of Hollis's Charity pay 20 *l.* a year to the Minister of the Presbyterian Chapel at Doncaster, and 15 *l.* a year to a Schoolmaster there appointed by the Trustees, for teaching poor children to read and write. It is not prescribed what number of children should be taught free, but there are usually about twenty such attending the school. The children are principally those of the poorer members of the Presbyterian congregation, but the benefit of the charity is not confined to them, and others usually attend the school as pay-scholars. I am informed that the school has always been properly and satisfactorily conducted, and I believe that neither the school, the scholars, nor the funds have ever been under the control of the corporation of Doncaster.

## SAINT THOMAS'S HOSPITAL.

*Ellis's Charity*.—The Town Clerk doubts whether this be one of the charities which he is required to return. He deems it, however, best to include it in his return.

Thomas Ellis, by deed, dated 10th October, 4th & 5th Philip and Mary, conveyed to feoffees an hospital in Doncaster, called Saint Thomas House the Apostle, and divers lands and hereditaments in the township of Doncaster and the neighbourhood thereof (and the particulars of the estate are stated at length in the Memorials of charitable donations registered under the Act 52 Geo. 3, c. 102, and in the copy of Memorials printed by order of The House of Commons, p. 325.) Upon the trusts mentioned in the schedule annexed to the deed, whereby it was declared that his feoffees should dispose

dispose of his house, called Saint Thomas House the Apostle, for the habitation of six poor men and women (to be chosen by his feoffees and by the Mayor of Doncaster, and Vicar of the same for the time, and four of the most ancient and substantial inhabitants there that had been mayors thereof, or by the most part of them), of such as had dwelled within the said town or parish, being of good fame, and that had fallen into poverty by sickness or misfortune, to remain there during good behaviour, to be always six at the least; and he charged his feoffees, that they, with the issues and profits of the premises, should distribute weekly, every Sunday in the year, to the said poor people, 6*d.*; and he willed that the Mayor and Vicar of Doncaster for the time being, and the four honest men of the same, should name some inhabitant of the town to receive the rents and pay weekly the poor folk, and disburse for reparation, or otherwise, as should be prescribed by the feoffees, mayor, vicar and four honest men aforesaid, and yearly to account to them, and he to have allowed yearly for his pains 10*s.*, and 3*s.* 4*d.* to be at the said account spent amongst the feoffees, mayor, vicar and four men aforesaid, and 4*d.* to be also yearly delivered to either of the two Serjeants of the Town, and the overplus of the same account yearly to be delivered to the feoffees and persons aforesaid; and that they should yearly bestow the same in alms amongst the poor most in need, or else bestow the same upon reparations of the premises, or of the bedding, as they should think most meet; and he further ordained, that whensoever the feoffees came to the number of three, those that should be then living should enfeof the number of thirty persons, including the mayor, vicar and the said worshipful officers, with certain of the most discreet dwelling thereabout, and the rest of the most discreet ancient inhabitants of Doncaster, of all the premises, to the relief of the poor people in the house, according to the ordinance of him the said Thomas Ellis.

The present Trustees of this charity are nineteen in number, being the Mayor and Vicar of Doncaster, three of the Aldermen, and some of the principal gentlemen of property in the neighbourhood.

N. B.—*I am not quite certain whether some of these Trustees are dead or not. I have applied to Mr. Brooke, who acts as clerk to the Trustees, but he refuses to inform me, although it was distinctly stated to him that I wanted the information solely for the purpose of this Return.*

## ESTATES AND RENTAL.

PROPERTY.	Quantity.	OCCUPIER.	TERM.	Yearly Rent.
At Brampton, in the Parish of Cantley:	A. R. P.			£. s. d.
Manor of Brampton, and several parcels of Land - - - - -	93 - 38	{ John Walbanke Childers, esq. }	{ - Lease for 11 years, from Feb. 1820 - }	118 6 -
Near Doncaster, in the Parish of Wormsworth:				
One acre of Land in a place near Carr House, called Carr House Bricks - }	1 - -	George Cooke, esq.	Yearly tenant	4 15 -
At High Ellers, in the Parish of Cantley:				
A Close - - - - -	- -	John Chester -	- ditto -	8 8 -
In the Parish of Cantley:				
Three roods of Land, in a close called the Henning's Close - - - - }	- 3 -	Richard Kirkby	- ditto -	1 - -
In the Township of Wheatley:				
Certain pieces of Land lying dispersed - [The particular situation of these several Lands is unknown; they lie intermixed with and undivided from Lands the property of Sir William Bryan Cooke himself.]	7 3 -	{ Sir Wm. Bryan Cooke, bart. - }	{ ditto - - }	32 11 -
In the Township of Wheatley:				
Land, part of a close called Broxholme Close, of which the residue belongs to John Seddon Bower, Esq. M. D. - - }	1 2 -	{ John Seddon Bower, esq. - }	{ - Lease for 11 years, from Feb'y 1820, granted to Mrs. Broadrick - }	7 17 6
In the Township of Wheatley:				
Land, part of a close called Sandpits Close	2 - -	Edward Auckland	Yearly tenant	9 - -
In Doncaster Fields:				
Land, in four parcels - - - - -	9 3 25	Richard Wood -	{ - Lease for 11 years, from February 1820 }	28 13 -
	2 3 15	Richard Tilburn	Yearly tenant	9 - -
	2 1 -	John Branson -	- ditto -	7 6 -
In the Township of Doncaster:				
Land, part of Thief Lane Close - - -	- 2 -	{ - Representatives of the late James Jackson, esq. - }	{ Yearly tenant	2 7 6
Close in Doncaster Carr - - - - -	4 1 -	John Kirby -	- ditto -	6 7 6

ESTATES AND RENTAL—*continued.*

PROPERTY.	Quantity	OCCUPIER.	TERM.	Yearly Rent.
In the Township of Balby, and Parish of Doncaster:	A. R. P.			£. s. d.
Two Closes in Spital Field and Balby Moor	43 1 -	Robert Belcher	{ - Lease for 11 years, from February 1820 }	158 15 -
In the Township of Doncaster:				
The Spandike Close - - - - -	5 - -			
In the Township of Hexthorpe:		Richard Robson	Yearly tenant	10 3 -
In Hexthorpe Nether Furlong (described in the lease as two acres and one rood) }	2 1 3			
Four parcels of Land - - - - -	3 2 31	John Foster, esq.	{ - Lease for 11 years, from February 1820 }	7 12 6
In Hexthorpe:		John Clarke Walker, esq. -	Yearly tenant	9 - -
The Shoulder of Mutton Close - -	2 - 12			
In the Township of Doncaster:		{ - - Myself. This land is intermixed with lands of my own. My father rented it always, and I continued it. I believe the situation cannot be pointed out, and I am therefore of necessity the tenant - - }	- ditto -	3 - -
Part of Balby Lane Close - - - -	2 - -			
Part of the Land's Close and Hexthorpe Ing's Close - - - - -	- 3 3			
[I have applied also to Mr. Brooke to know if there be any recent changes of property, but he refuses to tell me. I can, however, rely upon the account of property being substantially correct.]				£. 424 12 -

Some parcels of land have been received in exchange for other lands given up by the trustees; the exchanges were made upon terms of advantage to the charity; and other parcels in the possession or occupation of John Henry Childers, esquire, and Sir William Bryan Cooke, baronet, who are two of the trustees, lie so much intermixed with their own private property, that they could not, without difficulty, be separated from them, or let to advantage to any other persons; the lands are all let at their full annual value, and have been let according to a valuation.

The total income is 424*l.* 12*s.* a year.

Six almspeople, being generally poor widows, are lodged in the hospital in Doncaster, and the payments out of the income of fixed amount are as follow: to each of almspeople 9*s.* a week, a yearly allowance of one guinea each for coals, and a payment of 1*s.* each at Christmas; to the receiver, 10*l.* 10*s.* a year; to the clerk, 2*l.* 2*s.* a year; to the distributor of the allowances and pensions paid under the charity, 5*l.* 4*s.* a year; to a person for giving notice of meetings, &c., 2*l.* 2*s.* a year. There are also sundry payments of variable amount for insurance, repairs of the almshouse, and contingent expenses, and an allowance is provided out of the surplus rents to poor persons living in or belonging to Doncaster as out-pensioners, being to each 6*s.* per week, one guinea a year for coals, and 1*s.* a year at Christmas; the number of out-pensioners being varied according to the state of surplus income, and being at the present time 12.

The trustees endeavour to select as objects of the charity poor persons not receiving parochial relief, and none are selected who are known to receive parochial relief, except under particular circumstances.

The trustees hold meetings for electing almspeople and pensioners as vacancies occur in their number, and the accounts are settled at an annual meeting; all monies received on account of the charity are kept at a bank, and the balance in hand, on the 4th day of April 1826, amounted to 276*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*, and the present balance in hand amounts to the sum of , or thereabouts.

[This blank cannot be supplied, by reason of Mr Brooke's refusal, which I have before stated. Mr. Brooke is in no manner connected with the Corporation of Doncaster.]

The Old Almshouses, or Stocks Almshouses.—Three old cottages on the south side of the high road leading from the Hall Cross in Doncaster to Hatfield, which had been used or occupied from a very remote period as an almshouse for three poor widows, have been recently taken down by the Corporation of Doncaster, and another building in Factory-lane in Doncaster has been erected for and is occupied by the present almswomen. The residents in the old almshouse have for a long period been accustomed to receive an annuity or stipend of 2*l.* a year, issuing out of a close called Butterwood Close, in Bentley, near Doncaster, and the same continues to be paid to the almswomen.

We have met with no writings or documents from which any account can be obtained of the foundation of the almshouse or the grant of the annuity.

When the Corporation of Doncaster, in or about the year 1818, attempted to remove the almswomen from the old almshouse (which the Corporation were desirous to take down, for improving the appearance of the town at its entrance from the south), the attempt was resisted by two of the women, and a petition was presented on their behalf to the Lord Chancellor, praying that the Corporation might be prevented from disturbing them; and by the petition they also claimed a right to an

an old stable and a close of six acres adjoining the almshouse, which did not belong to the Corporation, and which was in no respect under their control or management, and to a right of being supplied with water from a neighbouring reservoir; on the hearing of the petition on the 25th May 1813 by the Vice-Chancellor, it was referred to one of the Masters of the court to inquire what the foundation of the almshouse in question was, and to make certain other inquiries in the order mentioned. The Master, by his report, bearing date 15th March 1820, after stating the substance of several affidavits made on both sides, reported that no trace of the foundation of the almshouse had been discovered; and certified, that he did not find there was any right in the poor people, the inhabitants of the almshouses, to a supply of water from the reservoir.

No further proceedings were taken under the petition; the affidavits and papers were perused by the Commissioners for inquiring into Charities, and they expressed their opinion from the perusal of the affidavits, and from other sources of information, that there were no grounds to support the claim advanced to the possession of the stable or the close.

One almswoman was removed to the new building soon after it was finished, the others remained in two of the old cottages, and on the decease of the survivor of them, the cottages were taken down.

By a deed dated 29th August 1815, purporting to be made between the mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses of Doncaster of the first part, the Reverend Robert Affleck, vicar of Doncaster, of the second part, George Bucks, gentleman, of the third part, Catherine Henley, widow, Dame Jane Mary Trigge, widow, and Catherine Henley, spinster, the two only children of the said Catherine Henley, widow, of the fourth part, reciting, that the three ancient tenements had for a great many years been occupied as almshouses, and that the occupiers had usually been nominated by the mayor and vicar of Doncaster, and that the poor persons had for a great many years been accustomed to receive the annual sum of 2 *l.* from the proprietors of Butterwood Close, then belonging to Catherine Henley, widow, Dame Jane Mary Trigge and Catherine Henley, spinster; and that the mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses being desirous of promoting the accommodation of the public by widening and improving the high road, had purchased and caused to be taken down certain cottages and buildings adjoining the almshouses, and that, inasmuch as it was necessary, with a view to the farther improvement of the high road, to take down the three ancient almshouses, which were become very ruinous, and in a state of decay, the said mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses had lately caused to be erected the three cottages and premises after-mentioned, which had cost 250 *l.* at the least, by way of substitution for the three ancient almshouses intended to be taken down, and it had been agreed that the same should be conveyed in the manner thereafter expressed; and the mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses granted and enfeoffed unto the said Robert Affleck and his successors, vicars of the parish, three new erected dwelling-houses, on the westerly side of Factory-lane, in Doncaster, numbered 1, 2 and 3, with the appurtenances, to hold to the said Robert Affleck and his successors, vicars, &c., for the time being, in lieu of or exchange for three old almshouses, and it was thereby agreed that the said Robert Affleck and his successors, vicars, &c., should permit all such poor persons, being inhabitants of and belonging to the township of Doncaster, as then were or should be appointed by the mayor and the vicar for the time being respectively, to occupy the said three new erected cottages and premises as almshouses during good behaviour; and that the election and appointment of every such poor person into the almshouses, and the power of displacing him, her or them for good cause, and of appointing others in their place, should be vested in the mayor and vicar for the time being; provided, and it was thereby agreed, and Catherine Henley and Jane Mary Trigge, and Catherine Henley, spinster, thereby respectively agreed, that nothing therein contained should be construed to extend to defeat or extinguish the said annual payment of 2 *l.* so made to the occupiers of the said ancient almshouses as aforesaid, but that the said annual sum of 2 *l.* should continue to be charged upon and payable out of the Butterwood Close, unto and amongst the poor persons who should occupy the three new-erected dwelling-houses; and the deed contains a covenant by the mayor, aldermen and burgesses for warranty of the three new-erected cottages.

This deed was executed by the mayor, aldermen and burgesses under the common seal, and by the said Robert Affleck and George Bucks, but not by the other persons purporting to be parties thereto.

Though the situation of the new almshouses may be inferior to that of the old tenements taken down, it is better calculated for the residence of persons of the description to be presented; the new buildings are in every respect much better, much more convenient, more valuable and more adapted to the comfort and convenience of the almswomen; indeed the old almshouses were mere hereditaments, not worth 20 *l.* each, whereas the new ones are commodious, convenient and substantial.

**Martin's Charity.**—Thomas Martin, by Will, dated 17th January 1688, gave to the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses of Doncaster 20 *l.* a year, to be issuing out of his lands at Stainforth and Tudworth, to put out three, four or five poor boys to trades, being born and living in Doncaster, every year, whose parents should not be able to do so for them; and he directed that the apprentices should be put out at the nomination of the mayor of Doncaster for the time being. The annuity of 20 *l.* is paid by the owners of the property in Stainforth and Tudworth, viz. John Bladworth, and is annually laid out by the Mayor in apprenticing boys, at his discretion, sometimes three being apprenticed and sometimes four.

This charity is an extremely useful one as far as it extends. The mayor usually defers his appointments until the election under Kay's Charity, hereafter mentioned, is held; and then he not unfrequently nominates boys who appeared deserving candidates for Kay's Charity, when there happen to be more really eligible boys than can be apprenticed with the funds of Kay's Charity.

**Ellerker's Charity.**—Jane Ellerker, by Deed enrolled in Chancery, dated 10th February 1736, conveyed to the Reverend Hollis Pigott, then vicar of Doncaster, and two others therein named, two cottages in Far Saint Sepulchre Gate, in Doncaster, and a close lying in a lane leading from Doncaster to Hexthorpe, upon trust that they and the survivors of them should apply the rents and profits to and amongst six, seven or eight poor housekeepers at Christmas, every year, or at such other times as they should think convenient, and that the trustees should keep a book to enter their proceedings relating to the trust.

There appears to have been no subsequent conveyances of the premises to new trustees, and the vicar and the mayor of Doncaster act as the sole trustees of the charity.

The cottage is let at 4 *l.* 4 *s.* a year, and the land at 12 *l.* 12 *s.* a year, being the full annual value.

The rents are given to poor widows of Doncaster, selected by the mayor and vicar, each choosing by turn; at present there are five widows receiving each of them 1 *l.* 10 *s.* a year; eight receiving 1 *l.* 1 *s.* a piece, and one receiving 18 *s.* a year. It is proposed, when the widows receiving 1 *l.* 10 *s.* a year are reduced, to allow stipends of 1 *l.* 1 *s.* a year to as many widows as the income will suffice for. It has been the custom for many years to give stipends to a greater number than are mentioned in the Deed.

I understand that for many years past the funds of this charity have been under the almost exclusive management of the vicar of Doncaster, who has himself appointed the objects.

*Kay's Charity.*—Quintin Kay, by Will, dated 10th March 1804, directed all his capital stock in the three per cent. consols and four per cent. bank annuities, to be transferred into the names of the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses of Doncaster, upon trust, out of the dividends to pay to the vicar or curate of Doncaster, or such other clergyman as they should choose, for a sermon on the tendency of the Christian religion to lead its professors to industry and diligence in business, on the first Sunday in September yearly; 2 *l.* 2 *s.* to the churchwardens of Doncaster; 5 *l.* to be laid out in bread, to be distributed by them among poor persons residing within the parish of Doncaster on the day after each annual sermon; to pay 60 *l.* in placing out apprentice annually six poor children of parents residing in Doncaster, at the age of 14 years, for the term of seven years, to some trade or business; and to pay 3 *l.* 3 *s.* a year to the treasurer of the dispensary in Doncaster, and 10 *l.* a year to the town clerk of Doncaster, or such person as they should appoint for making charitable payments thereby directed; and for keeping regular annual accounts of the charity; and as to the residue of the dividends, to pay the same on the first Sunday in every calendar month unto so many poor reduced persons of good character residing in Doncaster of the age of 50 years, as the Mayor and Aldermen, Recorder and Town Clerk, or the major part of them, should consider proper objects of charity, as such residue would extend to pay the rate of 1 *l.* 1 *s.* to each poor person.

The stock transferred under the above donation in 1807 to the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses, consisted of 2,000 *l.* three per cent. consols, which has since increased, by the investment in 1818 of a balance then in hand, to 2,150 *l.* Three per Cent. Consols, and of 6,000 *l.* Four per Cents. which has, by the late Act of Parliament, been converted into 6,000 *l.* Three-and-a-Half per Cent. stock.

A regular account is kept in a book of the receipt and application of the dividends, and is annually audited and signed by the mayor and the aldermen present at a meeting; the several payments are made as directed by the Will.

Six apprentices are put out annually, and 17 poor persons have from the commencement until the 3d day of July 1830, received 1 *l.* 1 *s.* each per month; the persons chosen being such as have been reduced from a better situation in life, and such as do not receive parochial relief.

In consequence of the reduction in the dividends of the stock, it became necessary to reduce the number of monthly pensioners, the amount of the reduced dividends being 274 *l.* 10 *s.*, and the payments 204 *l.* 9 *s.*

On one of the poor pensioners dying, therefore, in July 1830, the vacancy was not supplied. There are now only 16 poor persons receiving 1 *l.* 1 *s.* per month. There is a balance of 35 *l.* 16 *s.* 4 *d.* now due from the trustees to their bankers, Messrs. Leatham & Co., Doncaster, which arises by their not yet having received the dividends shortly to become due; and when the last-mentioned dividends are received there will be a balance in the banker's hands in favour of the trustees.

*John Jarratt's Charity.*—John Jarratt, of Doncaster, Esquire, on the 9th May 1821, paid to the mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses of Doncaster 2,200 *l.*; and thereupon a bond was executed under the corporate seal to the said John Jarratt, in the penal sum of 5,000 *l.*, subject to a condition that the mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses should pay the yearly sum of 110 *l.*, in manner following; viz. on the first Saturday in every calendar month, so much thereof as would amount to 30 *s.* a month unto or for each of such six poor reduced or decayed persons, whether male or female, being of the age of 50 years or upwards, of good character, and residing within the town of Doncaster, as the mayor, recorder, aldermen and town clerk, and also the vicar of Doncaster, or the major part of them, should consider most proper objects; and the residue to the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the township of Doncaster, to be laid out in bread, and distributed on Christmas-day yearly among such poor inhabitants of the town as the churchwardens and overseers should consider deserving objects.

The conditions of the bond are performed by the payment of 30 *s.* a month to six poor persons, the pensioners being recommended at present by Mr. Jarratt himself, and the sum of 2 *l.* a year, the surplus interest, is paid to the parish officers to be laid out in bread.

No provision is made for the party keeping the accounts, records, &c. herein or in Kay's, but the town clerk of Doncaster, who receives 10 *l.* a year under Kay's charity, has always hitherto gratuitously kept the records and accounts of the charity.

*F. Fisher.*

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Doncaster.

THE following is a LIST of the PERSONS who have filled the Office of Mayor for one whole Year each, and who, by virtue of their election to such Corporate Offices, became and were ex-officio Justices of the Peace for the same period.

Time of Election.			
Thursday before the Feast of St. Michael	1812-13	Thomas Browne	Merchant.
Ditto	1813-14	Thomas Brooke	Attorney at Law.
Ditto	1814-15	James Jackson	Esquire, one of the Partners in the Doncaster Bank.



CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Doncaster*—continued.

Time of Election.		
Thursday before the Feast of St. Michael	1815-16	John Wright - - - Lessee of Water Mills.
Ditto - - -	1816-17	John Pearson - - - Merchant.
Ditto - - -	1817-18	Thomas Pearson - - - Attorney at Law.
Ditto - - -	1818-19	John Branson - - - Esquire, Doctor of Medicine.
Ditto - - -	1819-20	George Clark Walker - - - Chemist.
Ditto - - -	1820-21	John Pearson - - - Merchant. This is the same gentleman who was Mayor in 1816.
Ditto - - -	1821-22	Edwood Chorley - - - Esquire, Doctor of Medicine.
Ditto - - -	1822-23	Leonard Walbank Childers - - - Esquire, Partner in the Doncaster Old Bank.
Ditto - - -	1823-24	Joseph Lockwood - - - Statuary. This gentleman was also Judge of the Doncaster Races.
Ditto - - -	1824-25	William Sheardown - - - Printer and Stationer. This gentleman was founder and proprietor of the Doncaster Gazette, and also was at the head of a very extensive and highly respectable general business. He has since retired upon a handsome fortune.
Ditto - - -	1825-26	John Sheppard - - - Surgeon.
Ditto - - -	1826-27	James Falconar - - - Professor of Mathematics. This gentleman has retired on his fortune.
Ditto - - -	1827-28	Richard Littlewood - - - Esquire. This gentleman was heretofore engaged in extensive business as Silk Mercer, but he has retired on his fortune.
Ditto - - -	1828-29	William Hurst - - - Architect.
Ditto - - -	1829-30	John Webster - - - Wine Merchant. This gentleman has also retired on his fortune.
Ditto - - -	1830-31	John Branson - - - Esquire, Doctor of Medicine. This is the same gentleman who was Mayor in 1818. He is also one of the Magistrates.
Ditto - - -	1831-32	George Holmes - - - Esquire, late Lieutenant Colonel of Dragoons, and Companion of the most Noble and Honorable Military Order of the Bath.
Ditto - - -	1832-33	Joseph Lockwood - - - This is the same gentleman who was Mayor in 1823. Having acquired considerable estates, he has, since that time, retired from business, and resigned, in favour of his son, the office of Judge of the races. He is the present Mayor of Doncaster.

THE following is a LIST of other Gentlemen, Justices of the Peace for the Borough and Soke of *Doncaster* during the last Twenty Years. Their appointments are for life, and the power of appointment is vested in the Mayor and Recorder, who invariably appoint on the death or resignation of their Predecessors, three only holding office at one time.

Time of Appointment.		
12 June - - -	1804	Henry Heaton - - - Esquire. This gentleman was formerly a principal in extensive public conveyances, and also lessee of tithes; but he had long before retired from business, and was living on his income.
9 March - - -	1810	James Jackson - - - Esquire. This is the same gentleman who was Mayor in 1814.
25 September - - -	1811	Thomas Woodcock - - - Esquire. This gentleman had formerly been engaged in business as Postmaster; but he had retired on his fortune before his appointment.
12 August - - -	1818	John Wright - - - Esquire, appointed on the death of Mr. Woodcock. This is the gentleman who was Mayor in 1815.
3 May - - -	1821	George Clark Walker - - - Chemist, appointed on the death of Mr. Jackson. This is the same gentleman who was Mayor in 1819. He had previously served the office of Mayor. He has acquired considerable property, having long been at the head of one of the most extensive wholesale departments in Doncaster.
29 October - - -	1821	John Pearson - - - Esquire, appointed on the death of Mr. Heaton. This is the gentleman who was Mayor in 1816.
14 April - - -	1828	John Branson - - - Esquire, Doctor of Medicine, appointed on the death of Mr. Pearson.

February 20, 1833.

F. Fisher, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF DORCHESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Whetstone's Almshouse.*—John Whetstone, by Will, in 1614, gave 500*l.* for the building of an almshouse for poor folk in Dorchester; with part of which, the then corporation bought a piece of land in the parish of All Saints, in Dorchester, and built an almshouse thereon, called “Whetstone's Almshouse,” for four persons or four couples; and the remainder of the money they laid out in the purchase of freehold lands at Symondsbury and Minterne Magna, in this county, and in the hospital of the town. Those lands the present corporation hold; and also 700*l.* in the Three per Centum Consolidated Annuities, produced from time to time by accumulations of income beyond the expenditure. Out of the rents and dividends the almshouse is kept in comfortable repair, and other current expenses are defrayed; and the remainder is applied towards the maintenance in the almshouse of the four persons or four couples, who are chosen in by the corporation successively alike out of the three parishes; this appears to have been always the mode of application. In consequence of the accumulation from this charity, the present corporation have of late years increased the pay to the poor folk in the almshouse.

*Chubb's Almshouse.*—The almshouse itself, which was very anciently endowed for nine persons, and formerly called, doubtless from its antiquity, “The Old Almshouse,” but afterwards, from its having been re-edified and further endowed by Matthew Chubb, called “Chubb's Almshouse,” by which name it is now known. It is in the parish of Saint Peter, near “The Friary.”

Houses and land in the parish of the Holy Trinity, Dorchester, given by the Will of Joan Gould, in 1630, towards the sustenance, relief and maintenance of such a competent number of aged poor and impotent persons dwelling within the said borough of Dorchester as then were, and from time to time for ever thereafter should be, by the mayor, bailiffs, aldermen and burgesses, and their successors for the time being, thought fit, elected, chosen and nominated, to be placed in “The Old Almshouse” within the said borough, or to be almspeople within the said town. The produce of this property is now distributed and applied for the benefit of the almswomen in this almshouse, and in repairing the house.

Edward Dashwood, by his Will (date not known, but he died 5th February 1666), gave 50*l.* in money, the interest thereof to be equally divided among the poor of the three parishes; and Thomas Gape, esq., by his Will, dated 2d January 1677, gave 100*l.* in money, the profit of which was to be for the benefit of the poor of the three parishes, as follows: (to wit) one moiety (1*l.* 16*s.*) to the poor of the parish of All Saints; and the other moiety between the other two parishes of Saint Peter and the Holy Trinity (18*s.* each). With these two principal sums and other money (supposed to have been part of the money left by Matthew Chubb, and not used in re-edifying “The Old Almshouse”) a small freehold estate at Nottingham, in the parish of Broadway, in this county, was purchased in May 1685, by the then corporation; the profits of which have been from time to time, and are still applied in paying the interest on the said two principal sums of 50*l.* and 100*l.* to the overseers of the poor of the three parishes in manner aforesaid, and towards the maintenance of the poor persons in “Chubb's Almshouse.”

An annuity or rent-charge of 1*l.* a year payable out of a dwelling-house in St. Peter's, in Dorchester, now belonging to James Parsons, given by the Will of one Edward Dashwood (which Will however cannot now be found, towards the support and maintenance of the poor persons in Chubb's almshouse. It is applied accordingly.

*N. B.* These poor persons consist of nine elderly single women, who are chosen in by the corporation successively, alike out of the three parishes.

*The Hospital or Workhouse.*—The building itself now used as the hospital and workhouse for the poor of the town at large, and four new built dwelling-houses, with small gardens adjoining thereto, in the parish of St. Peter, supposed to have been originally purchased and founded by collections and charities from the town, and vested in the corporation for the benefit of the poor. One room in the workhouse not being now required for the poor, is at present occupied as the National School-room. The rents arising from the said dwelling-house and school-room are applied in keeping the hospital and workhouse in repair, and discharging the current expenses of the trust; and the surplus in aid of the parishes equally.

An annuity or rent-charge of 5*l.* a year for ever, given by William Whiteway, sen., by deed enrolled, dated 15th October 1617, and issuing out of a messuage in the parish of St. Peter, now belonging to the Earl of Shaftesbury, for the benefit of the three parishes, for the better endowment of an hospital or working-house then lately erected, and for the training up poor children to honest labour.

Another annuity or rent-charge of 5*l.* a year for ever, given by John Perkins, by deed enrolled, dated 15th October 1617, and issuing out of a house in the parish of the Holy Trinity, now belonging to James Henning, esq. for the purpose of better endowing the said hospital or workhouse.

Another annuity or rent-charge of 8*l.* a year for ever, given by John Gould, sen. and James Gould, by deed, dated 20th January, 20 Jac., payable out of a house in the parish of St. Peter, now belonging to Mr. Thomas Fisher, for the better endowing of the said hospital or workhouse.

Another annuity or rent-charge of 4*l.* a year, given by Richard Bushrod, by deed, dated 29th October 1618, out of lands in the parish of Glanville's Wootton in this county, for the better endowing said hospital or workhouse.

Another annuity or rent-charge of 2*l.* a year (but by whom or how given not known) issuing out of a house in the parish of St. Peter, lately belonging to Richard Barnwell, and now to Robert Williams, esq. and others, for the better endowing the said hospital or workhouse.

The aforesaid annuities are carried to the same account, and applied as the rents arising from the dwelling-houses and school-room.

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One hundred pounds in money, given by Juliana Perkins, widow, by Will dated 19th January 1656, to the poor of the three parishes in Dorchester, to remain as a stock for them for ever. By Indenture, dated 19th April 1660, the then Corporation, in consideration of said 100*l.* to them paid by the executors of said Will, with the consent of the overseers of said Will, and the consent of the overseers of the poor of the three parishes, granted unto said executors and overseers of said Will, and their heirs, an annuity or rent-charge of 6*l.* per annum for ever out of their three messuages, &c. called "The George Inn," to be paid for the benefit of the poor of the three parishes on the 25th day of March yearly. This annuity is now distributed and applied accordingly.

*Napier's Charity.*—A freehold estate, situate in the parish of Melbury Osmond in this county, given by Mrs. Ann Napier, by deed, dated 2d March 1715, the profits thereof to be applied in teaching six poor children, viz. a boy and girl belonging to each of the three parishes, to read the holy Scriptures and the catechism, and the overplus (if any) to go towards clothing them; and also 150*l.* Three per Cent. Consols, purchased by the excess of the receipts beyond the expenditure.

The clear income is applied according to the deed.

*Under School.*—A dwelling-house, in the parish of the Holy Trinity, which was erected on the Corporation lands at the expense of the Corporation and townsmen, and founded as a school in 1623, for teaching six boys of the town in reading, writing and arithmetic. The schoolmaster, who is put in, and upon good cause removed by the Corporation, is permitted to reside rent-free in the house for the trouble of teaching the boys.

The Corporation are also owners in fee to their own use by grant from the Crown, purchase and succession from their predecessors, of divers messuages and lands within and adjoining to the borough, of the manor and manorial rights, with the markets and fairs, &c. and the advowson of the parish of All Saints.

Joseph Stone, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Dorchester.

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	REMARKS.
C. B. Wollaston	- Esquire.	These gentlemen are now living.
Thomas Gould Read	- Solicitor.	
Christopher Cooper	- M. D.	
Robert Pattison	- Banker.	
Charles Stickland	- Esquire.	
Christopher Arden	- Surgeon.	
Morgan Yeatman	- Wine Merchant.	
Thomas Bower	- Brewer.	
John Burnet	- Esquire.	These gentlemen are dead.
Joseph Clapcott	- Esquire.	
Nathaniel Stickland	- Solicitor.	
William Bower	- Banker.	
George Stickland	- Solicitor.	

Joseph Stone, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATION OF DOVOR.

##### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*THE Almshouse Charity.*—This is a charity the origin of which is unknown; its funds are now administered by the corporation, under the directions of a decree of the Court of Chancery, some years since. It now consists of—

	£.	s.	d.
About 14 A. 1 R. 25 P. of land in the several parishes of Saint Mary, Charlton, and Hougham, in Dovor, which are, in pursuance of the decree, let by public auction every seven years; present rental	40	15	-
About 11 A. 1 R. of land in the parish of Tilmanstone, in Kent, let in like manner for seven years; present rental	10	5	-
An estate called Paul's Corner, which formerly consisted of vacant ground, which is now let on building leases for 99 years, at ground rents amounting to	51	1	-
Twenty-two almshouses, erected in 1823 out of the funds of the charity, and now occupied by poor persons belonging to the several parishes in Dovor, in proportion to their population, at annual rents of 1 <i>l.</i> each	22	-	-
Several plots of land adjoining, occupied by tenants at will, it being probable that they might be required for the erection of additional almshouses, at a rental of	5	5	6
Several pieces of land adjoining, let on building leases, at a rental of	14	12	-
A piece of garden ground, in St. James, Dovor, occupied under a lease, at a rent of	1	-	-
An annuity arising out of a house in Biggin-street, Dovor	1	-	-
	£.	145	18 6

There is also an ancient house belonging to this charity, which from time immemorial has been occupied by the matron of the charity, and is fitted up and used as an hospital for invalids entitled to the benefit of its funds.

The funds of the charity are applied, under the direction of the mayor for the time being, and two wardens annually appointed by the corporation, in the relief of poor and afflicted persons found within the town of Dover, both in and out of the hospital, as particular cases may require, such persons not being common vagrants.

*Nield's Charity.*—This charity consists of a sum of 800*l.* Three per Cent. Consols, the dividends of which are annually distributed by the chamberlain of the corporation in the purchase of bread for and procuring the discharge of poor debtors confined in Dover Castle prison.

*Papillon's Charity.*—This charity, which is under the management of the mayor and jurats, consists of the manor of Oxtroad, in Kent, with the appurtenances, and about 90 acres of land in the parishes of Elham and Denton, in Kent, which in the year 1744 was conveyed to David Papillon, esq. in trust that the rents should be yearly disposed of, either for binding out freemen's sons of the corporation apprentices, or towards the relief of any aged necessitous freemen of the corporation, or in any other way for the good and benefit of persons free of the corporation, as the said David Papillon and the heirs for the time being of Philip Papillon, deceased, with the advice of the mayor and jurats, should think fit. The rents of the property (which in 1744 were let at 16*l.* per annum for 99 years) are now annually disposed of for the above purposes.

*Hugesson's Gift.*—This is a charity the origin of which is unknown. It consists of the sum of 3*l.* annually distributed by the corporation amongst six poor widows of freemen of Dover.

*Finch's Charity.*—This consists of the sum of 90*l.* Three per Cents., the dividends of which were directed by the will of the testator to be annually applied by the mayor and jurats of Dover in the purchase of bread for such poor persons belonging to the parish of Saint Mary, Dover, as they should think fit, and they are now so applied.

Dover, 18 February 1833.

George William Ledger, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Dover.

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.
John Jeken - - - - -	Brewer.
Joseph Webb Pilcher - - - - -	Miller.
John Finnis - - - - -	Timber merchant.
John Shipdem - - - - -	Solicitor.
Matthew Kennett - - - - -	Solicitor.
Henry Pringle Brenyeres - - - - -	Banker.
John Coleman - - - - -	Farmer.
Edward Boxer - - - - -	Captain R. N.
William Cocke - - - - -	Surgeon.

Dover, 18 February 1833.

George William Ledger, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATION OF DROITWICH.

CHARITABLE FUNDS - - - None.

Droitwich, Feb. 17, 1833.

F. G. Curtler, Town Clerk

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Droitwich.

The bailiffs and justices of this borough are elected by the burgesses, at an annual meeting holden the first Monday in October. Their term of office is for one year, and the bailiffs are ex-officio justices of the peace.

NAMES.	TRADE or PROFESSION.
John Pickernell - - - - -	Gentleman.
John Edwards - - - - -	Gentleman.
Jacob Turner - - - - -	Esquire.
Samuel Evans - - - - -	Esquire.
Sir Thomas Winnington - - - - -	Baronet.
Abraham Turner - - - - -	Esquire.
Samuel Tearne - - - - -	Gentleman.
Edward Winnington Ingram - - - - -	Clerk.
John Edwards - - - - -	Esquire.
Coningsby Norbury - - - - -	Esquire.
Edward Bookey Penrice - - - - -	Esquire.
William Henry Ricketts - - - - -	Esquire.

## CORPORATION OF DUNWICH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The LANDS and other PROPERTY in the possession of the Corporation of *Dunwich*, in the County of *Suffolk*, are as under :—

	Quantity.			Annual Rents and Produce.		
	A.	R.	P.	£.	s.	d.
A quantity of heath land adjoining the sea, containing by survey, taken 16 years since	297	3	33	2	11	-
Since which period has been lost by the encroachment of the sea	24	-	-			
Acres	273	3	33			
<i>Note.</i> —The above land yields little or no profit. The poor in Dunwich are allowed to cut turf by paying a small sum to the Corporation of from 1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> to 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> yearly, which produces the above 2 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i>						
A quantity of Marsh Land, containing	119	2	37	45	-	-
<i>Note.</i> —This land is frequently flooded by the sea. Stock is taken in for summer feed, and produces the above, but its profits are uncertain.						
Arable Land in Dunwich, in the occupation of Francis Robinson, esq. containing	15	-	32	15	-	-
The like, in the occupation of Robert Woolner, containing	45	-	25	41	-	-
The like, in the occupation of the Coast Guard	-	-	-	3	15	-
Houses in the town	-	-	-	7	-	-
It may be observed, that the expense the Corporation are put to in erecting and keeping up walls and piling, to prevent the overflowing of the sea, has for years past absorbed the whole income in defending the low land and marshes from the inundation of the sea.						
All the before-mentioned lands, marshes and property are situate in Dunwich, in the county of Suffolk.						
But by whom the same were given, or by what ways or means acquired, or how they came into the possession of the Corporation cannot be clearly ascertained, unless they formed a portion of the lands granted by the Crown under the charter.						
Carlton Farm.—Five-ninths of a farm, situate in Carlton Colville, in Suffolk, under lease to Charles Pearse, for a term of eight years, at the annual rent of 65 <i>l.</i>	43	2	37	35	-	-
The remaining four-ninths belong to the churchwardens of Laxfield.						
Annual Income	-	-	-	£.	149	6 -

This farm belonged to one John Page, otherwise Baxter, who, by his Will, dated 1566, gave power to his executors to sell his estate at Carlton, to the intent that the yearly sum of 3 l. should be paid to the town of Dunwich for the poor thereof, and the sum of 40 s. to the town of Laxfield.

By Deed, dated the 6th April, 11th of Elizabeth, the executors conveyed the estate in Carlton to trustees, upon trust, to permit the bailiff and four other honest men of Dunwich to receive 3 l. a year out of the rent and profits of the premises, to be disposed of amongst the poor inhabitants of Dunwich, according to the Will of the said John Page, *alias* Baxter, and 40 s. a year in like manner to the poor of Laxfield, to be distributed at the discretion of the said respective persons of Dunwich and churchwardens of Laxfield.

And by a Deed, dated 20th August 1600, the Carlton estate was conveyed to new trustees, 12 of them of Dunwich and 12 of Laxfield, upon the trusts mentioned in the former deed.

Nothing is known beyond the above Deeds, and the farm has been for a long period the property of and under the joint management of the Corporation of Dunwich and churchwardens of Laxfield.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Dunwich.*

Henry Barne Sawbridge, Esq. - Recorder - - - from 1812 to 1821.  
 Barne Barne, Esq. - - - - ditto - - - from 1821 to 1829.  
 James Mure, Esq. - - - - ditto - - - from 1829 to 1833.

The under-mentioned Officers are elected annually on the 29th of August, and are sworn into Office on the 29th of September following.

Years.	BAILIFFS.	Professions, &c.	JUSTICES.	Professions, &c.
1812	The Hon. Gerard Vanneck -	Esquire -	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire.
	John Collett - - -	Farmer -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1813	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire -	Hon. Gerard Vanneck -	Esquire.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	John Collett - - -	Farmer.
1814	Hon. Gerard Vanneck -	Esquire -	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire.
	John Collett - - -	Farmer -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1815	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire -	Hon. Gerard Vanneck -	Esquire.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	John Collett - - -	Farmer.
1816	Hon. Gerard Vanneck, elected, but not sworn.	Esquire -	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire.
	John Collett - - -	Farmer -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1817	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire -	Hon. Gerard Vanneck -	Esquire.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	John Collett - - -	Farmer.
1818	Rev. Henry Uththoff, elected, not sworn.	Clerk -	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire.
	John Collett - - -	Farmer -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1819	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire -	Rev. Henry Uththoff -	Clerk.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	James Woolner - - -	Yeoman.
1820	Rev. Henry Uththoff -	Clerk -	Barne Barne - - -	Esquire.
	John Dunnell - - -	Farmer -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1821	Henry Barne Sawbridge, elect- ed, but not sworn.	Esquire -	Rev. Henry Uththoff -	Clerk.
	Francis Robinson, of Walbers- wick.	Farmer -	John Dunnell - - -	Farmer.
1822	Sir Charles Blois - - -	Baronet -	Henry Barne Sawbridge, elect- ed, not sworn.	Esquire.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	Francis Robinson, of Walbers- wick.	Farmer.
1823	Henry Barne Sawbridge, elect- ed, not sworn.	Esquire -	Sir Charles Blois - -	Baronet.
	James Dix - - -	Yeoman -	Francis Robinson, of Wal- berswick.	Farmer.
1824	Sir Charles Blois, elected, not sworn.	Baronet -	Henry Barne Sawbridge, elect- ed, not sworn.	Esquire.
	James Woolner - - -	Yeoman -	James Dix - - -	Yeoman.
1825	Henry Barne Sawbridge -	Esquire -	Sir Charles Blois, elected, not sworn.	Baronet.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	James Woolner - - -	Yeoman.
1826	Sir Charles Blois - - -	Baronet -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
	James Dix - - -	Yeoman -	Henry Barne Sawbridge, not sworn.	Esquire.
1827	Henry Barne Sawbridge, not sworn.	Esquire -	Sir Charles Blois, not sworn	Baronet.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	James Dix - - -	Yeoman.
1828	Sir Charles Blois - - -	Baronet -	Henry Barne Sawbridge, not sworn.	Esquire.
	James Dix - - -	Yeoman -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1829	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	Sir Charles Blois - -	Baronet.
	Henry Barne Sawbridge -	Esquire -	James Dix - - -	Yeoman.
1830	Sir Charles Blois - - -	Baronet -	Henry Barne Sawbridge, not sworn.	Esquire.
	James Woolner - - -	Yeoman -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.
1831	Henry Barne Sawbridge -	Esquire -	Sir Charles Blois - -	Baronet.
	Francis Robinson - - -	Esquire -	James Woolner - - -	Yeoman.
1832 to 29 Sept. 1833	Sir Charles Blois - - -	Baronet -	Henry Barne Sawbridge, not sworn.	Esquire.
	James Woolner - - -	Yeoman -	Francis Robinson - -	Esquire.

Southwold,  
February 21, 1833.

Jonathan Gooding, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF EVESHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

IN the year 1657 the Right hon. *Thomas Lord Coventry* gave, by Will, 500*l.* to the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses for the use of the poor, with which sum a rent-charge on land was purchased of 25*l.* a year, and after deducting 5*l.* for land-tax, the other 20*l.* is annually, at Christmas, distributed by the Corporation to the poor inhabitants of the borough.

## PROPERTY.

	£.	s.	d.
Profits of fairs, markets and courts held within the borough, under Grant of 22d Edward Fourth and confirmed by other Charters, and finally by the 3d James First, averaging annually - - - - -	110	-	-
Quit-rent received - - - - -	-	10	-
Disbursed annually for interest on debt, repair of Town Hall, market-place, and other expenses incidental to the police of the borough - - - - -	130	-	-
Paid to Edward Rudge, esq. a fee-farm rent reserved by charter originally to the Crown - - - - -	13	6	8

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Evesham.*

Members of the Corporation who, by virtue of their office, are magistrates during such office, and have been elected, and acted within the last 20 years :

Thomas Bateson - - - - - Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, Recorder.  
The Right honourable John Lord Northwick - Recorder.

Members of the Corporation who, by virtue of their annual election within the last 20 years to the office of mayor, became magistrates, but continued so only during the time of holding such office :

Matthias Stratton - - - - - Wine Merchant.  
Henry Portmore Cooper - - - - - Clerk.  
George Day - - - - - Banker.  
Thomas Beale Cooper - - - - - Esquire, in the Commissions of the Peace for the Counties of Worcester and Gloucester.  
Hon. and Rev. George Rushout Bowles, in the Commissions of the Peace for Salop and Worcestershire.  
Daniel Edge - - - - - Mercer.  
Edward Savage - - - - - Solicitor.  
Joseph Martin - - - - - Clerk in the Commission of the Peace for the County of Gloucester.  
William Barnes - - - - - Maltster.  
Benjamin Murrell - - - - - Banker.  
William Soley - - - - - Grocer.  
William Frederick Preedy - - - - - Stamp Distributor for county.  
William Byrch - - - - - Solicitor.  
John Procter - - - - - Baker.  
John Thomas - - - - - Druggist.  
John Walford Izod - - - - - Surgeon.

Members of the Corporation who have been elected Aldermen and appointed Magistrates :

William Preedy - - Esquire. Sir Charles Cockerell - Baronet.  
Thomas Beale Cooper, Esquire. George Day - - - Banker.  
William Phillips - - Solicitor. William Soley - - - Grocer.

14th February 1833.

*J. Taylor*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF EXETER.

Sir,

Exeter, 28th February 1833.

IN compliance with your Letter of the 11th instant, I have the honour to transmit a Return of the names, professions and trades of the members of the Corporation of Exeter, who, by virtue of their election to corporate offices have become magistrates, and acted as such during the last 20 years.

With respect to the Charitable Funds in the disposition of the Corporation of Exeter, I beg to state, that a full Report thereof has already been laid before The House of Commons by the Parliamentary Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, and I have the honour to send herewith a copy of such Report as the most accurate Return which it is in my power to make on the subject. The Report embraces the whole of the Exeter Charities : those in the disposal of the Corporation are detailed in the following pages.

S. M. Phillips, Esq.

*Edward Gattey*, Town Clerk.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*St. John's Hospital, Exeter.*

AN hospital, under this name; was founded in the 23d Henry III., by Gilbert Long and John Long, and continued till the latter end of the reign of Henry VIII., when it was suppressed.

The origin of the present establishment will appear from the following deeds and letters patent.

By Indenture bearing date 20th February 1629, made between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exon, of the one part, and Thomas Flaye and 11 others of the said city, merchants, of the other part; reciting, that Joan Crossing, widow of Hugh Crossing, alderman of the said city, and Francis Crossing, son and heir and administrator of the said Hugh Crossing, in accomplishment of the said Hugh Crossing's charitable purpose to found an hospital in the said city, by indenture bearing date 14th January, 21st James I., granted, enfeoffed and confirmed to Thomas Crossing, Nicholas Spicer and 11 others, and their heirs, the house, site, circuit and precinct of the late dissolved hospital or house of St. John, within the said city, lying within the east gate thereof, and the site of the church and churchyard of the said late hospital, and other messuages, lands and hereditaments therein particularly mentioned, to be employed for an hospital in setting the poor to work; and reciting, that by the said indenture it was provided, that if at any time it should seem meet to the mayor and common council of the said city for the time being, that the said feoffees should demise the site of the said church to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city for any number of years, not exceeding 30, for a storehouse or granary for corn, or for a cloth hall, or for any other such good use for the said city, the said feoffees should, from time to time, as often as it should so seem meet, demise the same in possession to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for the best improved yearly rent that might be made for the same, the said rent to be employed towards the better reparation, maintenance and continuance of the said hospital; and reciting, that Thomas Walker, esq. alderman, by his Will, dated 15th November 1628, gave to his executors, James Walker, Robert Walker and others, 400*l.* in trust, within one year after his decease, to procure from the mayor and common council of the said city, for the said 400*l.* an annuity or rent-charge out of some of the lands of the said city, of such value as his executors and the mayor and common council should agree upon; and for default of such agreement, to bestow the said 400*l.* in lands, and convey the same to the mayor and common council or to such others as they should appoint, one moiety of the proceeds thereof to be towards the founding and endowment of a free grammar school within the said city, whereby the children of the freemen of the said city might be taught and instructed in the learning of the Latin tongue without any charge to their parents, so as the said free school should be erected within five years after his decease; and the other moiety to be employed to such other uses as in the said will were expressed; and reciting, that Elizabeth Dowrich, widow, daughter of the said Thomas Walker, by her will, bearing date 17th November, 5th Charles I., and a codicil thereunto annexed, gave 50*l.* for the founding and maintenance of a free school in the city of Exon; and reciting that Walter Borough, esq. then one of the aldermen of the said city, had out of his charitable disposition given and paid 100*l.* to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, towards the erection of the said free school; and that other charitable persons had expressed their intentions to further so godly a work, by giving further endowments to such free school, and that the said mayor and common council, whereof the said Walter Borough, Francis Crossing and Robert Walker were members, had with the consent of the said Joan and Francis Crossing, thought meet that that part of the church of the said hospital which was the body or lower part of the said church, to the wall where the tower of the said church was, should be repaired and thereafter used for a free school, being the best and most profitable use for the good of the said city which it could be put unto, and most agreeable to the intention of the power given to the said mayor and common council by the said recited indenture; and reciting, that Nicholas Spicer, then mayor of the said city, Thomas Crossing, and other the surviving feoffees in the said indenture named, had, according to the trust in them reposed, by deed, bearing date the 30th January then last, demised the said lower part of the said church unto the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty for thirty years, to be employed for the said intended school, and had thereby covenanted to renew the said lease, as by the said deed more at large appeared, to the end that the godly intention of the said Thomas Walker and others might take effect, which had been delayed for want of a convenient place to found the said school, and sufficient means to endow the same; the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in consideration of 200*l.* paid by the executors of the said Thomas Walker, in satisfaction of so much of the said 400*l.* as was intended by him to be employed towards a free school, and of 50*l.* paid by the executors of the said Elizabeth Dowrich, and of 100*l.* paid by the said Walter Borough, and for the better education of the children of the citizens of the said city, in learning and good manners, and for the general good and benefit of the said city and the inhabitants thereof, granted, declared and agreed to and with the said Thomas Flaye and others, parties of the second part, that they would with all convenient speed, so soon as by the charitable benevolence of well-disposed persons they should be enabled thereunto, build and prepare the lower part of the said church, or so much thereof as should be thought convenient for the keeping of a school therein; and that after the same should be so built and prepared, the said mayor and common council would nominate and appoint a fit and able person to be schoolmaster of the said school, freely to teach and instruct the children of the freemen and inhabitants of the said city in the Latin and Greek tongues and other learning, without any charge to their friends or receiving any thing for the same, in such manner and form as by the said mayor and common council for the time being should be directed or appointed, to be called The Free Grammar School of the city of Exon, founded by the citizens of the said city; the said schoolmaster to be elected and displaced, and the said school and all matters concerning the same to be governed and directed in such manner as by the said mayor and common council should be thought meet. And it was thereby provided, to the intent the said school might thereafter be the better and more orderly established, and a larger maintenance for a schoolmaster and for ushers therein provided, when the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should be thereunto enabled by the charitable gifts of well affected persons, that it should be lawful for the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, at any time thereafter to translate or remove the said school from the said place or house thereby appointed, to any other such convenient place or house within the said city of Exon, as they should think fit and convenient; and after such translation, to employ the house and place before appointed for the said school to such other use and uses as they should



should think fit, and as was limited by the said recited indenture; and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty thereby granted to the said Thomas Flaye and others, parties of the second part, and their heirs, a yearly rent-charge of 20 *l.* to be issuing out of their manor of Exe Island and the lands thereunto belonging, upon trust, to pay and employ the said rent-charge for the maintenance of a schoolmaster in the said free school; provided that if the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should at any time endow the said school and schoolmaster with a rent-charge out of any of the lands of the said city, of such value as the executors of the said Thomas Walker, or the survivors or survivor of them, and the said mayor and common council should agree upon; or if the said mayor and common council should bestow the said 350 *l.* in lands of inheritance for the benefit and maintenance of the schoolmaster and of the said school, then the grant of the said rent-charge of 20 *l.* should cease and be void.

By a subsequent deed, bearing date 1st August 1632, made between the said Joan Crossing and Francis Crossing, Nicholas Martyn, mayor of Exeter, and five of the aldermen of the said city, and John Hakewill and two other persons, described as the surviving feoffees of St. John's Hospital, of the one part, and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, of the other part; reciting in part the said indenture of 20th February 1629, and reciting that the proviso therein for the translation of the said school to another place was occasioned by reason that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty had no certain permanent estate of inheritance therein, but only an estate for 30 years, with such covenant for renewal thereof as aforesaid, since which time it had been thought fit and resolved to prepare the said lower part of the said church, for the said school, to continue therein for ever, without any alteration or translation thereof to any other place, it being no way prejudicial to the said hospital, and accordingly the same was then in preparation for that purpose; the said parties of the first part, granted and enfeoffed to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, the body and lower part of the said late church, and all that part thereof being theretofore the tower of the said church, and standing between the said late church and chancel there, and which since the dissolution of the said hospital had been used as a gate or entry into the said house, upon trust, to convert, use and employ some convenient part of the said late tower for a gate and entrance to and from the said hospital and school, and so much of the residue thereof, and of all other the premises thereby granted as the said mayor and common council should think fit and convenient to and for a schoolhouse there, and for the schoolmaster and ushers of the said school; and the residue thereof, viz. the lower part or ground room of the said church to and for such other public and profitable uses for the common good and profit of the said city, as the said mayor and common council of the said city, or the greatest part of them, for the time being, should think fit, under the yearly rent of 5 *s.* payable to the feoffees, their heirs and assigns, to be employed according to the said indenture of 14th January, 21st James I.

In 1637, this hospital was incorporated by King Charles I. By letters patent, bearing date 2d June in that year (the 13th of his said Majesty's reign), reciting, that by a petition of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, his Majesty was informed of their charitable desires to erect an hospital in the said city, for the relief, setting on work, and education in good learning and otherwise, of poor children born or inhabiting in the said city, who either had no parents, or those so poor as not to be able to maintain them, as also for relief and maintenance of aged or impotent poor people inhabiting there, not able to work; and that John Crossing, widow of Hugh Crossing, late alderman of the said city, and Francis Crossing, their son, then alderman of the same, in prosecution of the charitable intendments of the said Hugh Crossing, had purchased a large and convenient house in the said city, which, before the dissolution of monasteries, was an hospital called St. John's Hospital, and one tenement near adjoining, some time belonging to the said hospital, and had given the same for an hospital or workhouse; and that since by the charity of Thomas Walker, esq., deceased, Elizabeth Dowrich, widow, deceased, and divers others, there was a decent school-house made and re-edified, in a part of the said hospital, which was anciently the body or lower part of the said hospital church, and a free grammar-school, therein already settled by the approbation of his Majesty's Privy Council; and that the higher part, or decayed chancel of the said church, was lately, by the cost of Alice Hele, widow, deceased, decently re-edified, as a chapel for the use of the said hospital; and that there was 500 *l.* which had been given by Elizabeth Jourdain, widow, deceased, for charitable uses in the said city and county of Exon, and in pursuance of certain orders of the Privy Council, applied for the maintenance of a free English school therein, for the better preparing the children of the said hospital and others for the grammar-school, and other fit professions; and that there had been also divers lands and tenements and sums of money theretofore given by Walter Borough, esq. and Nicholas Martyn, esq. deceased, Dame Mary Prideaux, [Nicholas Martyn gave 200 *l.* and Dame Mary Prideaux gave 100 *l.* to this hospital,] and others, and more promised by several others, to be given for the support and enlargement of the said hospital; whereupon the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, had made suit to his Majesty for his favour in licensing them to erect and found an hospital in the said house, to be called the Hospital of St. John, within the city of Exeter, founded by Hugh Crossing, esq. and others, and a free grammar school, and an English school therein, and to renew and continue divine service in the said chapel for the said hospital; and that the other part of the said house might be for ever employed for the dwelling, relief and education in learning, and other lawful arts and trades of poor children of the said city or county, and for the relief and maintenance of aged or impotent poor people, inhabiting in the said city or county, and for the dwelling of one or more schoolmasters, to instruct the children; and that the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common council of the said city for the time being, might be governors of the said hospital, and incorporated with the powers therein mentioned, his said Majesty affecting such pious and charitable works, and out of his royal inclination to promote and advance the same, granted to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, power, license and authority to erect, found and establish in the said house called St. John's Hospital, and other the premises adjoining, an hospital, house or place of abiding for the sustentation, relief and education in learning, and all or any other lawful arts and trades of poor children, from time to time born or inhabiting in the said city or county of the same, and for the habitation, relief and maintenance of aged or impotent poor people, inhabiting in the said city or county, and of so many children or aged or impotent poor people and such other members and officers of the said hospital, as to the governors thereof and their successors or the greater part of them should seem meet; and that the said governors should have power, from time to time, to place therein such master or head of the said hospital, and number of poor people and children, and such

other members and officers, as to them, or the greater part of them for the time being, should seem convenient. And his said Majesty further granted, that the said governors and their successors should have power to erect and establish in the said hospital and premises a free grammar school, and a free English school, for the instructing, teaching, maintenance and education of poor children or scholars born or inhabiting in the said city or county, and to place therein such number of poor children or scholars, as to the governors for the time being, or the greater part of them, should seem convenient, and likewise one or more learned, able and sufficient person or persons, to be schoolmaster or schoolmasters of the same school or schools, and one or more other able and sufficient person or persons, to be usher or ushers thereof, to teach and instruct the said children; and also one learned and godly preacher, to read divine service, and preach the word of God in the said chapel to all the said persons, poor people and children, members and officers in the said house, with the allowance of the ordinary. And his said Majesty further ordained that the said house should be used as an hospital for the abiding and relief of such number of poor people and children as the governors for the time being, or the greater part of them, should name or appoint to be lodged and maintained there, and for the abiding and sustentation of a schoolmaster or schoolmasters, usher or ushers, preacher and head master of the said hospital as aforesaid; and that the said hospital should be incorporated, and called the Hospital of St. John, within the city of Exeter, founded by Hugh Crossing, esq., and others, and thereby erected, established and confirmed the same, to have continuance for ever; and appointed and ordained that the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common council of the said city for the time being, should be governors of the said hospital, and of the lands, revenues and goods thereof, and be incorporated by the name of the governors of the hospital aforesaid, with power to purchase and take lands, to sue and be sued by their said name, and to have a common seal. And his Majesty further granted that the said master, preacher, schoolmasters, ushers, poor people, children, scholars, members and officers of the said hospital, should be allowed, ordered, governed, directed, visited, placed or displaced by the said governors and their successors, or the greater part of them, according to such allowances, rules, statutes and ordinances, as should be appointed by them, so that the same rules, so far as they should concern the said preacher, should be made with the allowance of the ordinary; and that for the better government of the said hospital, the said governors should have power to visit the said hospital, and to alter, govern, punish, place or displace the master, schoolmasters, ushers, poor people, scholars, members and officers of the said hospital, and to order, reform and redress all disorders, misdemeanors, offences and abuses in the persons aforesaid, or in the said hospital or free schools, or in the government, ordering or disposing of the same, as to the said governors for the time being, or the more part of them, should seem convenient. And his said Majesty granted to the said governors, license to take for the maintenance of the persons in the said hospital, the said hospital and tenements, and any other manors, lands, tenements and hereditaments, not held in capite, or by knight's service, and not exceeding in the whole (except the said hospital and tenement) the yearly value of 500*l.* above all charges, with a license to all persons to grant lands, &c. to the said governors, to that amount.

By certain statutes and ordinances made by the governors of the hospital, dated 21st September 1638, it was ordained that the hospital should be appropriated for the harbouring, relief, education and maintenance of poor men's children, to be chosen out of the several parishes within the city of Exeter, and county of the same; and that yearly, on St. Matthew's day, one of the company should be appointed president of the said hospital.

That a steward should be appointed, who should receive the rents, &c. for the hospital, and yearly account to the president and governors, and should continue in office so long as the president and governors should think fit.

That a master should be appointed, who should have in charge the keeping of the hospital, the care of the children admitted, and the providing them with meat, drink and lodging, and the performance of other things, as should be from time to time agreed on by the said governors and master.

That the children to be admitted should be of honest parents, born or inhabiting within the said city and county, especially of such as were of the meanest sort, and chargeable or likely to be chargeable to the parishes from whence they came; that no child should be admitted under seven or continued after fourteen years of age; and that all elections of such children should be made in the said hospital by the president and governors for the time being, or the major part of them, on view of such children so to be elected.

That the parents or friends of such children should, at the time of admission, pay to the master of the hospital 40*s.* towards the decent apparelling of such children, which money should be repaid for the benefit of the children when they should be placed with a master out of the said hospital; and that if any child should die in the hospital, his clothes and money should remain to the said house for the benefit of the rest of the said poor children (the necessary charge of his burial excepted); and that every child admitted should have competent meat, drink and lodging in the hospital, and two suits of apparel yearly, at the costs of the master of the hospital, except the gowns and caps, which should be provided by the house; and that every child should be made to apply his schooling at the usual times, and be freely taught in any of the free schools within the said hospital, to read, write and cipher, and in the Latin tongue also, if the capacity of any such child should be conceived by the master of the said hospital for the time being to be fit for the same.

The remaining ordinances relate to the government, diet and lodging of the children.

The following account of the various benefactions to this hospital is taken from the original deeds, and the official extracts of wills, where we have been able to procure them. But in some instances, in the absence of more authentic documents, we have had recourse to an old register found in the hospital, containing a short account of the donations to it, and to a manuscript "Catalogue of Benefactions given to the city of Exeter," found amongst the records of the corporation, compiled by Richard Izacke, formerly chamberlain of this city, which, with some alterations and additions, was published by Samuel Izacke, his grandson, in 1736. Much information has also been derived from the Act books of the hospital, containing minutes of the proceedings of the governors, from 1638 to the present time.

The accounts of the stewards of the hospital, from 1638 to 1688, have been produced to us. From 1688 to 1719 there is a chasm in the accounts. They are also wanting for other years at intervals from 1720 to 1763. From the latter year to the present time they are complete.

We propose, in the first place, to state with particularity those gifts which relate to lands or rent-charges; and secondly, to give a list of those donations which are merely pecuniary.

Two rentals, marked (A.) and (B.), to which it will be necessary to refer, will be found at the end; the former comprising the property held under the gift of Elize Hele, and conveyed by his trustees, Sir J. Maynard and Elize Stert, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned; and the latter, comprising the residue of the property of the hospital in Exeter or elsewhere. Rental (A.) contains a column, showing the annual value of the property, principally taken from a survey made in 1813. In consequence of the depreciation in the value of land, this valuation is considered at present too high by about 20 per cent. Rental (B.) also contains a column, showing the annual value of the property, as estimated by Mr. John Powning, a surveyor, in the present year. And the column of "Remarks" contains notes taken from the same surveyor's report of the present state of repair of the houses in Exeter.

*Walker's and Dowrich's Gifts.*—By the before-mentioned deed of 1629, the corporation, in consideration of 200*l.* bequeathed by Thomas Walker, of 50*l.* bequeathed by Elizabeth Dowrich, towards the endowment of a free grammar school, and of 100*l.* given by Walter Borough in his life-time, for the erection of such school, granted a rent-charge out of their manor of Exe Island, for the maintenance of a schoolmaster. We are inclined to think, that some other arrangement must have been made as to this grant before the letters patent above-mentioned were obtained, as it is not mentioned therein; and as we find no trace in the accounts, which commence in 1638, of the rent-charge having ever been received. There is some obscurity as to the manner in which Mr. Walker's and Mrs. Dowrich's gifts were disposed of. The letters patent speak of them as having been applied in building a school-house; but in 1641, interest appears to have been received by the hospital for a sum of 500*l.*, then lent on bond to G. Southcote, which is stated to have been given for the free Latin school by Mr. Walker and others. At subsequent periods we find the sum of 12*l.* 10*s.* accounted for as received by the hospital from the receiver general of the chamber of Exeter, as the yearly interest of Walker's and Dowrich's money. In the accounts for 1720, and for some years next following, there appears to have been an arrear of interest due from the chamber in respect of this money. In 1726 this arrear amounted to 137*l.* 10*s.* The last time we find these gifts mentioned in the accounts is in 1735, when 12*l.* 10*s.* is stated to have been received of the receiver general for one year's interest of Walker and Dowrich's money. In the same year, the sum of 150*l.* is accounted for as received of the receiver general, by order of the chamber, but it is not stated whether the last-mentioned sum was paid on account of the arrears of the interest of this money. There is no trace of the principal ever having been paid by the chamber to the hospital.

*Pley's Gift.*—John Pley, by his will, bearing date 23d May 1609, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exon, and their successors, after the deaths of his wife and son, and for default of issue of the latter, an annuity of 5*l.* to be issuing out of two messuages situate in Lyme Regis, in the county of Dorset, one of them being in St. Michael's-street, not far from the church, and the other being in the West-street, called the High-street, to be from thenceforth paid quarterly by his heirs, with a clause of distress; and if the said rent-charge should be unpaid two months next after it should become due, and after it should be lawfully demanded, he gave the said two messuages to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty for ever, to the intent that the said annuity of 5*l.*, or the said two messuages, if the same should be unpaid two months, and all the issues and profits thereof, should be by the said mayor and commonalty spent and employed towards a lecturer or preacher of God's word, in the cathedral church of St. Peter in Exon, or elsewhere in the said city, at morning prayer or in the afternoon, or at both those times upon the Sabbath day, or towards the erecting, founding and maintaining of an hospital within the county of the said city, at the election and choice of the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty for the time being, and to no other use whatsoever.

The governors of St. John's hospital are in the possession of one messuage in Friday-street, Lyme, No. 26 in Rental (B.), which from the situation appears to be the former of those mentioned in John Pley's will.

It seems probable that possession of this house was obtained in consequence of the annuity not being paid, and that it was appropriated by the chamber of Exeter, under the power given to them by the donor, to this hospital. The earliest notice we find of it in the Act Book of the hospital is an entry dated 26th December 1649, stating that the governors then agreed to pay 15*l.* to the lessee of a certain tenement at Lyme for his estate or term of years therein; and the tenement was then ordered to be speedily repaired, and one of the governors was deputed to let the said tenement for the best benefit and advantage of the hospital.

In 1656, a lease of this tenement was granted by the governors of the hospital to Gabriel West for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at 6*l.* a year. On the determination of that lease in 1680, it was let for a similar term at 7*l.* 10*s.* per annum; and in 1721 a reversionary lease was granted. In 1749 a surveyor was ordered to view the state of repair of this house, and in the same year it was agreed to accept a surrender of the lease, and the tenant appears to have quitted it in 1753. In 1769 a lease of the house, described as being ruinous and decayed, was granted by the governors to John Fudge, at the yearly rent of only 10*s.*, without any fine being paid, and without any covenant for the improvement of the premises, except the usual covenant for repairs. In 1789 a reversionary lease of this house was granted, determinable on two lives, at the same rent, in consideration of a fine of 63*l.* And in 1818 that lease was surrendered, and a new one granted, determinable on the two then surviving lives, and a third life, in consideration of a fine of 105*l.* at the increased rent of 2*l.*

There is no trace of the other house charged by Mr. Pley with the rent-charge ever having come into the possession of the governors of the hospital.

*Borough's Gift.*—Walter Borough (whose gift of 100*l.* towards erecting the free grammar school, has been already mentioned in the foundation deed of 1629), by indenture, bearing date 28th October 1625 (as appears from Izacke's manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions), granted to Thomas Crossing, and eleven others, merchants of the city of Exeter, and their heirs, three messuages or tenements situate in the parish of St. Paul, in the Northgate-street of the said city, on trust, with the rents and profits yearly, for ever, against the feast of All Saints, to provide and give unto eight poor men of the said city and county of Exeter, such as the mayor and common council of the said city, or the greater part of them, should think fit, eight gowns of about the price of 13*s.* 4*d.* a piece; and against the feast of Easter, yearly to provide and give unto the said eight poor men, or other poor men of the said city and county, such as the mayor and common council should think fit, eight shirts of

about the price of 3 s. 8 d. a piece; and upon trust also, to pay yearly for ever unto such person, as the said mayor and common council for the time being should appoint, for and towards the maintenance and sustentation of such poor people or children, as at any time thereafter should be by them (the said mayor and common council) placed and settled in an hospital or working house, if the same should at any time thereafter be proceeded in and perfected, within three years next after the date of that deed, and called by the name of St. John's Hospital, or the City's Hospital, the sum of 20 l.: provided always, that if the said hospital should not go on and be perfected within the said three years next after the date thereof, and should not be called by the name of St. John's Hospital, or the City's Hospital, the said trustees and their heirs should convert as well the said 20 l. as all overplus of the rents and profits of the said premises which should accrue, as well within the said three years as for ever thereafter, into a stock, and employ the same by the discretion of the said mayor and common council for the time being, in such sort, that the poor of the said city and county should be from time to time set on work, and yet the stock ever kept whole and not decayed, but increased with the yearly revenues of the said premises, for ever (the other payments therein appointed, and the necessary reparations of the said tenements being always allowed). And in order that care might be taken for the execution of the premises, and a continuance of the same, it was declared that the said mayor and common council should yearly, on the 20th of October, choose a fit person, as well to collect the said rents and profits, and to view the defects and reparations in the said tenements, as to pay the said several sums of money, and to keep an account thereof in writing, and present the same yearly to the said mayor and common council, to whom should be allowed for his pains, 20 s. per annum; and to the town clerk of the said city for the time being, yearly, for entering the said accounts in a book fairly, and seeing the same to be laid up safely, the sum of 5 s.; and to every one of the number of the common council, who should be pleased to be present at the said accounts yearly, and subscribe their names as witnesses thereinto, 12 d. a piece. And it was declared, that when all the trustees, saving four, were deceased, the survivors should convey the said lands and tenements to 12 other persons at the least, of the common council of the said city for the time being, and their heirs, on the trusts aforesaid.

The premises thus given by Mr. Borough, are now held under the governors of the hospital by eight different leases, forming the eight first numbers in Rental (B.) At the commencement of the hospital accounts in 1638, 20 l. appears to have been received from Mr. Borough's gift, and the said annual sum was paid till 1688, from which year till 1719, the accounts are wanting.

In 1720, the hospital appears to have been in the receipt of rents paid by different tenants of the property given by Mr. Borough, amounting in the whole to 48 l. 10 s.; and from that time to the present, we cannot find that there has been any distribution of clothing as directed by the donor, but we apprehend that the whole of the rents and profits have been carried to the account of the hospital.

In 1748, only two of the tenements derived from this gift appear to have been let at rack-rent, one at 9 l. and the other at 7 l. per annum; the others being let on leases for 99 years determinable on lives, at small conventional rents.

In the accounts for 1765, none of these tenements appear amongst the "Rack-rents."

All these tenements are now let for leases determinable on lives, with the exception of a small stable and the common use of a passage, No. 6, in the Rental, which was let in 1753, for 99 years absolute, at the rent of 2 l. The present estimated annual value of this tenement is only 3 l. 6 s.; but we are unable to assign any reason why a lease should have been granted for a term of such an unusual extent.

*Vilwayne's Gift.*—By indenture, bearing date 20th June 1637, between Robert Vilwayne, doctor of physic, of the one part, and the governors of the hospital of St. John, in the city of Exeter, of the other part; the said Robert Vilwayne, for the better advancement and support of the hospital and free-school, granted to the said governors of the said hospital, and their successors, four tenements and four gardens adjoining, situate in the parish of St. Sidwell, in a certain street called Paris-street, in trust, to pay and employ the rents, issues and profits of the said premises for the maintenance of the schoolmaster and usher or ushers of the said school, or some or one of them, in such manner and form, and at such time or times as the mayor and common council of the said city for the time being should direct or appoint.

It appears from the hospital accounts for 1641, that the rent of these tenements was at that time 2 l. 13 s. 4 d. It is stated in the Act Book, that in 1658 a lease of a plot of ground in Paris-street, where four demolished tenements stood, with a garden plot behind, of Dr. Vilwayne's gift, was granted by the governors at the same rent, the tenant agreeing to expend 30 l. upon them.

In 1741, a lease of a portion of this property, containing about a moiety thereof, by the description of two tenements or dwelling-houses, out-houses, curtilages and gardens, was granted by the governors of the hospital to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, in consideration of a fine of 40 l., for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the rent of 1 l. 6 s. 8 d. This lease has not since been renewed, and it determined on the falling of the last life in 1791; but the chamber not having adverted to the tenure by which they held the property, have treated it as their own, subject only to a supposed chief rent of 1 l. 6 s. 8 d. to the hospital. In 1786, a part of the premises held under the lease of 1741, which had been used as a soldier's hospital, was leased by the chamber, by their corporate name of mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, to Mr. Joseph Gatty, for 99 years, determinable on three lives, for a fine of 15 l. 15 s. at the rent of 13 s. 4 d.; and in 1813, a lease was granted by them of the same part, to Mr. John Youd, in consideration of 84 l. for 1,000 years, at a nominal rent. These sums of 15 l. 15 s. and 84 l. were carried to the account of the chamber. The residue of the premises, including the garden, held under the lease of 1741, was used as the city bridewell till lately, and is still in the occupation of the keeper thereof; a new bridewell having been built in another part of the city.

The lessee for 1,000 years has laid out about 100 l. in the improvement of the part of the premises leased to him.

Although the chamber may not have been aware of the lease of 1741, under which alone they derived any right to this property, an error, however, which a very slight investigation might have removed, it is clear that they had no authority to dispose of this property as they have done; but we are enabled to state that since our inquiry commenced, they have from their own funds repurchased the premises leased for 1,000 years, which, with the old bridewell, will now be available for the

the purposes of the charity. We are also informed that the chamber are ready to pay a fair occupation rent for the premises comprised in the lease of 1741, from its determination in 1791 to the present time. From the age and state of these buildings, it seems to be considered, that the most advantageous mode of disposing of them will be by a building lease for lives; but at present there is an existing lease for seven years of the part which has been repurchased, at a good rent.

The premises lately used as the bridewell form No. 11, in Rental (B.)

The other part of the property given by Dr. Vilvayne, now consists of two houses and four cottages, garden, &c. No. 12, in the same Rental. This part was let in 1745 for a term of 99 years, determinable on lives, in consideration of a fine of 15 *l.* at the rent of 1 *l.* 7*s.* and this lease has been renewed from time to time. In granting the present lease thereof in 1801, the rent was increased to 1 *l.* 10*s.*

Dr. Vilvayne appears to have improved the buildings in the interior of the hospital about the year 1655, at his own expense.

He also founded four exhibitions of 3 *l.* each per annum, for scholars taken from the free grammar school, and sent to Exeter college, Oxford. It will be more convenient that these exhibitions should be noticed in the account of the Blue Maid's Hospital, in a subsequent part of this Report.

*Taylor's and Snow's Gift.*—It appears from the Act Book of the hospital, that in 1641 Joan Taylor gave 100 *l.* out of her deceased husband's estate, to which Simon Snow, her son-in-law, a member of the hospital, added 60 *l.* more, for the maintenance of a poor child in the hospital, and promised to give his bond for the due payment of 40*s.* a quarter, until he should procure lands of the value aforesaid.

By indenture of feoffment, bearing date 16th November 1641, between Simon Snow, of the one part, and the governors of the hospital of St. John, in the city of Exeter, of the other part; reciting, that Peter Taylor, deceased, intending to be a benefactor to the said hospital, was prevented therein by sudden sickness and died intestate; and Joan Taylor, his widow, in accomplishing the intents of her deceased husband, was pleased freely to give to the said hospital the sum of 100 *l.* to be bestowed in land, or otherwise employed for the use and benefit of the poor children in the said hospital, in such manner and sort as the said Simon Snow should think most fitting; the said Simon Snow being a citizen of the same city, in testimony of his good affection to the welfare and flourishing state thereof, especially in works of charity, for the relief and better education of poor children of the said city and county, and for the better support of the said hospital, by some addition of maintenance thereunto, and in performance of the free promise which he had theretofore made to the mayor and common council of the said city, for some annual contribution to the said hospital, and in consideration of the said sum of 100 *l.* to him by the said Joan Taylor paid, conveyed to the said governors and their successors, two tenements or dwelling-houses, situate in the parish of St. Kerrian, within the said city, in a certain street called Waterbeare-street, upon trust, to employ the rents, issues, and profits for the maintenance and education of poor children in the said hospital, in such manner, and for such time only, as by the ordinances of the said hospital should be appointed; and also in trust, from time to time, to lease the said premises at the best yearly value.

This property forms No. 17, in Rental (B.) It appears from Izacke's manuscript catalogue of benefactions, that the yearly rent at the time of the gift was 15 *l.* It was let on leases, determinable on lives, as far back as the year 1687, when the same rent of 15 *l.* was reserved. The existing lease was granted in 1765, at the same rent of 15 *l.* without the payment of any fine upon the surrender of a former lease, upon which two lives were then subsisting, with a further term of 31 years, to commence upon the death of the survivor of them; which surrender was made in consideration of the surrenderer being released from a small arrear of rent, and from his covenants to repair. It seems probable, therefore, that the repairs of the premises had been at that time neglected; otherwise it is difficult to account for there being no increase in the value, either by way of rent or fine, from the time of the original gift. A reversionary lease of the premises was granted in 1804, in consideration of a fine of 52 *l.* 10*s.* for the life of a person who is since dead.

As the lessee's interest now depends upon the lives of only two persons, one of whom is of a very advanced age, it appears to us that it would be desirable not to renew the lease; but upon its determination, to let it according to the directions of the donors for the best yearly value.

The above-mentioned Simon Snow also gave in 1640, the sum of 88 *l.* 1*s.* 10*d.* towards building the Latin master's lodgings in the hospital.

*Tooker's Gift.*—Thomas Tooker, by his will, bearing date 31st March 1640, and proved in the Pre-rogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the governors of the new erected hospital of St. John, and their successors, a yearly rent-charge of 4 *l.* for ever, to be issuing and payable, with other annuities, to the parishes of St. Mary the More, St. Sidwell, and St. David, out of three closes of land called Culverpark, containing two acres and a half, or thereabouts, lying in the parish of St. Sidwell, which he purchased of Nicholas Smith, esq., deceased; and out of one other close of land in the parish of St. Sidwell aforesaid, next adjoining thereto, called Glasier's close, containing half an acre; and also out of all that his part and portion of one other close, called Job's Park, in the same parish, payable quarterly by equal portions, with a power of distress: provided, that if the said hospital should not be kept up for the maintenance of poor children and old people, according to the intention of the founders and the charter thereof, the said annuity of 4 *l.* should go to the churchwardens and overseers of the several parishes before-mentioned, of St. Mary the More, St. Sidwell and St. David's, to be distributed, with the other annuities, amongst the aged poor.

This rent-charge of 4 *l.* a year is received by the hospital, being No. 10, in Rental (B.)

*Martyn's Gift.*—By indenture, bearing date 2d of December 1641, between Susanna Martyn, of the city of Exon, widow and executrix of Nicholas Martyn, alderman of the city of Exon, deceased, and Elizabeth Flaye, widow, of the first part; Samuel Izacke and John Crewkerne, of the second part; and the governors of the hospital of St. John, of the third part; reciting, that the said Nicholas Martyn did, by his will, give to the hospital of St. John, in the said city, the sum of 200 *l.* in the words following, viz. "I do give and bequeath unto St. John's hospital, for the relief of poor children, to be bred, and so after to be put to masters, the sum of 200 *l.* This money, my will is, shall be employed in land, within two years of my decease;" and also reciting, that the said Susanna Martyn, being willing fully to execute the said will, and desirous to further the charitable intentions of her



deceased husband, had purchased the several houses and lands thereafter mentioned, in the names of Elizabeth Flaye and Mary Tuckfield, for the price of 300*l.*; which land so purchased, she, the said Susanna Martyn, was willing should be applied for the purposes by the said will directed; and reciting, that Mary Tuckfield had granted to the said Elizabeth Flaye, and her heirs, all her right and title to the said premises: the said Elizabeth Flaye, with the consent and by the direction of the said Susanna Martyn, and in performance of the will of the said Nicholas Martyn, covenanted with the parties of the second part, and their heirs, to levy a fine of, or by some other sufficient conveyance and assurance, to convey and assure, to them and their heirs, a messuage, tenement and dwelling-house, situate in Northgate-street, in the parish of St. Kerrian, in the city of Exon, and a tenement adjoining thereto, in the street and parish aforesaid, which said fine, or other conveyance or assurance, should enure to the use of the said Susanna Martyn, and her assigns, for her life, she the said Susanna paying quarterly the yearly sum of 8*l.*, and after her decease to the use of the said governors of the said hospital of St. John, and their successors for ever, who should employ all the issues and profits of the said premises according to the directions of the aforesaid will.

This property (No. 24 in Rental B.) now consists of one large house, with a small house adjoining, built by the lessee at a considerable expense since the last lease thereof was granted in 1814. It appears to have come into the possession of the hospital in the year 1655, and to have then consisted of four tenements let at rents amounting to 48*l.* a year. In 1662, one of these tenements was let on a lease determinable on lives. In 1759, all of them were united in one tenement, and let at a rack-rent of 31*l.* 10*s.* In 1768, this tenement was let for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, without the payment of any fine, or any covenant to expend money in building, at a rent of only 14*l.*

The sum of 210*l.* was paid as a fine on granting the present lease, and a former lease, on which two lives were subsisting, was then surrendered.

*White's Gift.*—James White, by his will, bearing date 27th September 1643, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave his garden and curtilage in Little Britain, in the parish of Allhallows, on the walls, in the city of Exeter, unto the warden and society of the hospital of St. John, in Exon, and their successors for ever, in lieu of 10*s.* which he promised to pay, and had formerly paid to the said warden and society quarterly, at the four usual feasts, towards the maintenance of the hospital boys there.

The land given by this will is supposed now to form the site of four houses, with curtilages, three gardens and two cottages, Nos. 19, 20 and 21, in Rental (B.)

In the accounts for 1658, we find that Christopher Clarke paid 2*l.* 5*s.* for the rent of "two plots of ground," whereon he had built several tenements in "Friern-hay, of the Chamber's and Mr. White's gift;" and these tenements have probably been let from that time to the present, on leases for 99 years, determinable on lives.

*Mogridge's Gift.*—Dorothy Mogridge, by her will (as appears from an extract inserted in the Act Book of the hospital, dated 24th June 1650), reciting, that she was possessed, for the remainder of a term of 1,000 years, of one tenement, and divers closes of land and pasture thereunto belonging, called Boar's Down, containing, by estimation, 90 acres of land, with the appurtenances, situate in the parish of Colyton, in the county of Devon, and of the messuage or dwelling-house thereupon being, which premises were the grant of Walter White, by lease dated 28th May, 16 Charles 1st, gave to the governors of the hospital of St. John, and their successors, the said tenement, closes and premises, for all the residue of the said term of 1,000 years, upon trust, that the said governors should, within three months after her death, take into the said hospital three children, inhabiting within the said city of Exeter, or liberties thereof, of the ages of seven years or upwards, and under twelve; and that the said governors should, out of the rents and profits of the said premises, give and provide for the said three children sufficient meat, drink, apparel, lodging and all other necessaries, until they should respectively attain the ages of 16 years, and no longer, and should place other children in the room of such as should die, or attain that age within one month after each vacancy should arise, so that the number three should be from time to time maintained in the said hospital, during all the residue of the said term.

It appears, from entries in the Act Book, that in 1651 a deed relating to the estate of Boar's Down, then lately given by Mrs. Mogridge, deceased, to the said hospital, and the counterpart of an agreement for a lease made by Mrs. Mogridge in her lifetime, of the said lands to Robert Carter, the then tenant, for four years, from 29th September 1649, at the rent of 30*l.* were brought in and deposited in the chest of the said hospital; and that in 1657 this estate was leased by the governors of the hospital for 7½ years, at the rent of 28*l.* the tenant paying rates and taxes.

From the same book it appears, that in 1665 this estate (No. 25 in Rental B.) was let to Mr. Nicholas Izacke, then mayor of Exeter, for three lives, at the rent of 16*l.* a year, with liberty to exchange two of the lives within two years, if they were in health. In 1681, the estate having fallen into hand was let for seven years, at 15*l.* per annum. In 1726, a lease for three lives was granted of it by auction at 20*l.* a year rack-rent, without fine. In 1765, a lease for three lives was granted of it at the rent of 14*l.* a year, without fine. In 1794, it is stated in the Act Book, that this estate had fallen in hand by the failure of the last life, and it was ordered that an auction should be held for letting it, that advertisements for the sale should be inserted in the public papers, and a surveyor should survey it, and estimate its value; and a lease of it was subsequently, in the same year, granted to Robert Baker, of Colyford, for three lives, without fine, at the clear rent of 19*l.* 10*s.* One of these lives is still subsisting, and a reversionary lease for two lives was granted in 1805, in consideration of a fine of 50*l.* at the rent of 20*l.* Since our investigation of this charity commenced, a valuation of the estate by a surveyor has taken place, according to which its present estimated clear annual value is 40*l.* It appears extraordinary that land, of which the rent in 1649 was 30*l.* per annum, should now be worth no more than 40*l.*; but from the amount of the intermediate rents, it seems to have decreased in value after the time of its being given to the hospital. We are informed, that this farm was underlet by the present lessee, at a clear rent of 50*l.* per annum, for a term of 14 years, of which some years are yet unexpired; but that the tenant, finding himself unable to pay so large a rent, quitted it, and that it has since been in the occupation of the lessee himself, who has expended a considerable sum in its improvement; but the soil is stated to be poor, and the situation much exposed. In Mrs. Mogridge's will, the quantity of land is stated to be 90 acres; but in a survey, made

made in 1754, it appears to contain, by admeasurement, 74 A. & 22 P. We have no reason to suppose that any part of the land has been lost.

No children are maintained in the hospital specifically in respect of this gift.

**Gandy's Gift.**—By indenture of feoffment, bearing date 24th December 1656, between Henry Gandy, of the one part, and the governors of the hospital of St. John, of the other part; the said Henry Gandy, in performance of his voluntary engagement theretofore made with the said governors, to keep and maintain two poor boys in the said hospital, at his own proper costs and charges, and to settle lands for this purpose for ever, granted and enfeoffed to the said governors and their successors, a close of land, containing, by estimation, one acre, in the parish of St. Sidwell, in the county of the city of Exeter, lying between the common highway there on the north part, and a little lane on the south part, and three messuages and a barn, then converted into a malthouse, upon trust, to permit the said Henry Gandy, and his tenants, to hold the same premises for his life, he and they paying the yearly rent of 16 *l.* to the said governors for the same, and well and sufficiently repairing and maintaining the said premises; and upon trust yearly to bestow the said yearly rent of 16 *l.* or such other sum or sums of money as should thereafter be advanced out of the rents and profits of the said lands, for the keeping, educating and maintaining of two poor boys of the said city (of honest parents) in the said hospital, to be nominated by the said Henry Gandy during his life; and upon trust, that after the death of the said Henry Gandy, the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the parish of St. Paul, within the said city of Exeter, should for ever thereafter name and present two poor boys of the said parish, within one year after the death or placing out of the two other boys, and in their places; and in case no such poor boys should be found within the said parish of St. Paul, then that the said governors should elect and choose two poor boys out of the said city, being of honest parents, to be kept and maintained in the said hospital as aforesaid.

In 1678, and again in 1689, it appears from the Act Book, that these premises (No. 22, in Rental B.), under the name of "The Black Horse," were let at a rack-rent of 16 *l.* a year, and they appear to have been let at rack-rent till 1761, when they were leased for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, without the payment of any fine, at the rent of 5 *l.* 5 *s.* In 1789, they were destroyed by fire, and the lease surrendered; and the present lease was granted in 1790, in consideration of a fine of 26 *l.* 5 *s.* and of the lessee having built a new house, at the rent of 5 *l.* 5 *s.* with a power to the lessee to renew any of the lives that might fall within 30 years, on payment of a fine of 26 *l.* 5 *s.* for each life.

Previously to the year 1810, the churchwardens of the parish of St. Paul do not appear to have exercised their power of appointing boys under this gift. In that year they claimed this right of nomination, which was allowed by the governors, and from that time two boys of that parish, nominated on the occurrence of vacancies by the churchwardens for the time being, have been maintained in the hospital.

**Mounswell's Gift.**—John Mounswell the elder, of the city of Exeter, stationer, by his will, bearing date 26th October 1658, and proved in the Consistory Court at Exeter, reciting, that he was seised of an estate in fee simple, in an annuity or annual rent of 5 *l.* issuing out of two closes of land, containing three acres and three quarters (more or less), situate in the parish of St. David's Down, in the county of the city of Exeter, and lying eastward from a close of land next adjoining unto New Castle Mead, gave the said annuity of 5 *l.* and all his right thereto, to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city of Exeter, and their successors for ever, upon trust that the said annuity should be yearly bestowed in Bibles for the poor scholars of St. John's hospital in Exon.

The land charged with this annuity is now the property of Mrs. Burrow, who pays the annual rent of 5 *l.* (No. 9, in Rental B.) to the said hospital. The rent is carried to the general account of the charity, and we do not find that it has ever been specifically appropriated, according to the donor's directions, to the purchase of bibles; but bibles are provided from the general funds of the hospital, for the boys of the Blue School.

**Hele's Gift.**—By indenture of feoffment (which has been already mentioned in our Fifth Report (p. 251), in the account of Hele's gift for the benefit of the town of Plymouth), bearing date 9th January 1632, and made between Elize Hele, esq. of the one part; and John Maynard, esq. (afterwards Sir John Maynard), John Hele, esq. and Elize Stert, gentleman, of the other part; the said Elize Hele, having a pious intention, and meaning to advance the honour of God, in dedicating his estate to some charitable and godly use, and reposing much confidence in Alice Hele his wife, and in the said John Maynard, John Hele and Elize Stert, granted to the said John Hele, John Maynard and Elize Stert, and their heirs, the manors of Fardell, Denaton, Brixton Reigny, Cofflute, Halwell, Teighharvey, Clist St. Lawrence, and Clist Gerrard, in the county of Devon, and the rectory impropriate of Wolvington, and St. Giles in the Heath, in the said county, and all other his manors, lands, &c. in the said county, or elsewhere in England, to the use of the said Elize Hele for life, and after his decease to the use of the said Alice Hele, John Hele, John Maynard and Elize Stert, and their heirs, in trust, with all convenient speed to employ the said premises to some godly, pious and charitable use and uses, as they and the survivors or survivor of them, and his heirs, in their discretion should think meet.

By indentures of lease and release, bearing date 17th and 18th December 1658, made between the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, of the first part; James Marshall, then mayor of Exon, Thomas Bampfylde, esq. recorder of the said city, James Pearse, Simon Snow and Ralph Herman, aldermen of the same city, and Thomas Westlake, town clerk of the same city, of the second part; the mayor and commonalty of the said city, of the third part; and the president and governors of St. John's hospital in the said city, of the fourth part: the said John Maynard and Elize Stert (having survived the said Alice Hele and John Hele) for the maintaining and performing the several pious and charitable works in a schedule thereto annexed mentioned, conveyed to the said parties of the second part, and their heirs, the manors of Clist St. Lawrence, otherwise Lawrence Clist, Clist St. Giles, Gerrard's Clist, otherwise Clist St. Gerrard and Teighharvey, in the county of Devon, and certain lands, tenements and hereditaments, which were some time the lands, tenements and hereditaments of Elize Hele, esq. deceased, that is to say, a house called the New-house, in Torre, a curtilage, a herb garden, three closes of land called the Bow-house, the meadow and the malpe acre, containing in the whole about 10 acres, in the parish of Newton Ferris, in the county of Devon, and a barn then lately converted into a dwelling-house, a linhay house, a garden, two closes called the Torres and the new piece, and the moiety of a

close called the Dickson, containing about 10 acres, also in the said parish of Newton Ferris; and a messuage and tenement in Lower Brimley, in the parish of Bovey Tracey; and another tenement in Lower Brimley, consisting of a cottage, garden and a close of land, containing one acre, and a messuage, garden, orchard and close, containing two acres, or thereabouts, in the borough of Bovey Tracey; and a messuage, orchard and little plot of ground, in the same borough, and a messuage and herb garden there; and a tenement, messuages, lands and hereditaments, called Rostbridge, otherwise Rostabridge, in the parish of Harberton, in the county of Devon, which were intended to be settled for the maintenance of a schoolmaster in Totnes; and all other lands, tenements and hereditaments in the parishes of Bovey Tracey and Newton Ferris, Clist St. Lawrence, Clist St. Giles, Clist Gerrard and Teigharvey, which were the lands of the said Elize Hele, and by him conveyed to the said John Maynard, and Elize Stert and John Hele, deceased, the mills in Bovey Tracey excepted: to hold the said manors and premises to the said parties of the second part, and their heirs, to the use of them and their heirs, upon the trusts and to the uses in the schedule thereto annexed mentioned.

By the schedule annexed to the last-mentioned deed it is provided:—

1st.—That all the annual rents and profits of the premises, with the heriots and accidental profits thereof, except as thereafter was excepted, and other than such sums as should be raised for fines for renewing, granting or altering any estate, should be employed from time to time as the same should be received; first, for the payment of 30s. to Peter Shaptor, a blind servant of the said Elize Hele, for his life, and 10*l.* per annum for the maintenance of a school and schoolmaster in the parish of Moreton for ever; and 3*l.* per annum for the maintenance of two lectures already set up by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, in Exeter college, Oxford; and afterwards for the maintenance of poor children to be placed and educated in and preferred from the hospital of St. John, in Exeter, for ever; and it was thereby declared, that for every 10*l.* of the yearly or casual profits of the premises (other than fines) above the said sums, amounting to 43*l.* 10*s.*, and of such lands as had been or should be purchased with such monies as had been advanced to purchase lands for the maintenance of such children, one male child should be maintained within the said hospital, who should be so placed, kept, disposed and ordered as therein was mentioned, or as should be further agreed, and in writing directed and appointed under the hands and seals of the mayor and recorder of Exeter for the time being, the president of the said hospital, and two of the aldermen of the said city for the time being, and the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor of them, and his heirs, or the major part of the said persons, whereof the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor, as long as either of them should live, should be one; and when any children should depart, or be preferred from the said hospital, then so much as might be saved out of the 10*l.* a year, and not spent in the maintenance of such child, and 10*l.* more, to be taken up beforehand, of the profits of the premises; that is to say, 10*l.* allotted for one year's maintenance of such child, should be employed for binding forth such child to some honest trade, or putting him to some other preferment or employment, as also for some stock for such child, if it might be, when he should come to live of himself; and it was declared, that during that one year the place of such child so preferred should remain void.

2d.—That the president and governors of the said hospital should cause a book to be kept of children taken in upon and preferred by the premises, to which the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and their heirs, should have free resort; and should every year, on the first Monday in November, give an account in writing to, or prepare such account for, the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the heirs of the survivor, of the receipts and disbursements made that year of the premises, and of the children taken in or preferred, and to what master or employment, for which there should be allowed to the clerk of the hospital 6*s.* 8*d.*; on which first Monday the said mayor, governors and so many of the persons trusted as could, were desired to meet in some convenient place in the said city, to survey and consider the state of the said children and hospital, and all accounts and affairs thereof; and that 4*l.* per annum should be allowed for their entertainment at that meeting, and the said account should be delivered to the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the heirs of the survivor, before the last Monday in November.

3d.—That the children to be preferred or placed forth should therein be ordered and disposed by the president and governors of the said hospital, with the consent of the mayor of Exon for the time being, and not by their friends.

4th.—That the children should be well catechised and instructed in the principles of the Christian religion, and be taught to write, read and cast accounts.

5th.—It was desired, that if any of the children should happen to be of extraordinary hopeful parts of memory and otherwise, the instructor of such children should give notice thereof to the mayor and governors of the hospital, to see if means might be had for the further education of such child in one of the universities, it being not hopeless that out of the fines aforesaid, in such a special case, some provision might be had to that intent in time.

6th.—That one of every three of the children to be placed in the said hospital should be born out of the city and county of Exon and town of Plymouth, and of parents who were not nor had been of the said city or town, and should be so ordered, used and preferred indifferently as other children of the said hospital taken in upon the account of the premises.

7th.—That no children but such whose father or mother were of honest conversation should be taken on account of the charity, or at least such to be preferred; and that no child but orphans who had no father, or whose father was so poor or decayed that he could not maintain him, should be admitted on account of the said charity, and that the neediest, *ceteris paribus*, should be preferred.

8th.—That the choice of the children not born in Exon, and whose parents live out of Exon, should be from the places and parishes of Clist St. Lawrence, Broad Clist or Bovey, if none others should be named in that behalf by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor, and his heirs; and in such case those to be preferred before others, whosoever they should be born, so as they should be testified by them to be poor and needy as aforesaid.

9th.—To prevent inconvenience to the said city, the parish from which any child should be taken should declare under the hands of a convenient number of the better sort of inhabitants, that in case such child should become lame or impotent, or unfit to be kept in the hospital, which should be determined by the said governors, the said parish would receive back such child; nevertheless the 10*l.* which such child should have had on his departure to be paid to such parish for the maintenance of such child; and if any parish should refuse to receive such child, never more should any child be accepted out of such parish on account of this charity, but out of any other place in the county of Devon, and not within



within the city or county of Exon or town of Plymouth. But it was intended that the children should only be returned for impotency or incurable sickness, the charge of ordinary sickness being to be provided for out of the profits of the premises.

10th.—That when any such case should happen of returning a child, the supply of the room of such child should be of some other child born within the county of Devon, and not in Exon; and the supply of such child not to be reckoned as one of the three Devonshire children, but in the room of the other only.

11th.—It was declared, that such contracts as within 10 years then last had been made by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and not then executed, should be performed with regard to the non-payment of the fines, and forbearance thereof.

12th.—It was desired, that in all contracts for leases thereafter to be made, especially for leases in possession, a fourth or sixth part at least of the annual revenue should be reserved by way of rent for better increase of the annual maintenance, and the rest in fine; and on no lease the old rents or duties to be lessened in any wise.

13th.—It was desired that the trustees should not forbear to make new leases when any of the tenements should fall in hand, of purpose to have the meane profits in their hands, though for the charitable use, because that would in time tend to destruction of the tenements and of tillage and good husbandry, as was conceived.

14th.—That 1,000*l.*, to be raised of the first money for fines, should be disposed towards the workhouse for the gaol for the county of Devon, when the gentlemen of that county should be ready to go on with that work according to propositions which had been agreed on, or which should be agreed on, at the sessions of the peace, by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them and his heirs.

15th.—That in every lease, to be made determinable on lives, there should be inserted a clause, that upon such notice as was therein specified, the persons claiming an interest under such lease, should within five years produce the person or persons on whose life or lives such lease depended, or prove by oath the existence of the life or lives of such person or persons within one year then last past, or in default thereof such lease to cease and determine; and that no lease of the premises should be made but for years determinable on lives, and not for lives absolutely.

16th.—That in every lease a condition should be inserted, that the tenants should not commit waste nor buy timber growing on any of the premises, without leave of the owners of the inheritance, nor assist any one in cutting or carrying away such timber, but should make discovery thereof to the owners of the inheritance if any such thing should be known to them.

17th.—That as often as the number of the trustees should be reduced to two, the survivors<sup>s</sup> should convey the premises so that the full number of the persons to be trusted might be supplied, which might be sooner done if occasion should be; such new trustees to be approved of by the major part of the mayor and aldermen of Exon for the time being.

18th.—That after the said 1,000*l.* should be raised for the said county house, 1,500*l.* more, to be raised out of the fines, should be employed for the purchase of lands or tenements of inheritance for the maintenance of poor maiden children in Hele's hospital, in the said city of Exon; and 500*l.* more in the next place for stocking and maintaining a workhouse in the said city, to be ordered by the mayor and aldermen of the said city; and after the said 3,000*l.* should be raised, then the further appointment of the benefit of such fines as should be raised was thereby reserved to the direction and ordering of the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them, during their lives and the life of the longer liver of them, for appointing other workhouses, schools, relief of poor, or such other pious, godly and charitable uses, as they, or the survivor of them, should appoint.

19th.—It was declared and excepted, that the tenement before-mentioned, called Rostbridge, was to be conveyed to such persons and their heirs as the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor of them and his heirs, should appoint, charged nevertheless with the ancient rent, and was to be employed for the maintenance of a schoolmaster in Totnes, with such rules and directions as the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor of them and his heirs, should appoint.

And, lastly, it was provided, that after such time as so many leases should be made of the premises by the trustees, that the fines therefore agreed to be paid should amount to 3,000*l.* intended to be employed as aforesaid, then, if the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor of them, should appoint, or should before then have appointed, any other sums of money for other workhouses, schools, or pious, godly and charitable uses, the same should be raised and paid according to such direction and appointment with all convenient speed, notice thereof being given in writing to the mayor of Exon for the time being; and that for the better effecting thereof, the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor of them and his heirs, might, by writing under his or their hands and seals, limit and appoint the use and uses of the premises to such person and persons as they, and the survivor of them and his heirs, should think fit; and that the persons named in the deed annexed, and their heirs and assigns, should stand seised thenceforth to the uses and persons so to be appointed; but the trust and meaning of such limitation was, that the annual profits and heriots of the premises should be still employed to the charitable uses aforesaid, and all the charitable works before appointed continued, notwithstanding such new uses appointed, the end and scope of this clause being only to change the estate into such hands as would conform to such appointments of other charitable works, out of the fines, as should be appointed by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, or the survivor of them, as aforesaid; and it was declared, that the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them, might appoint such new use as aforesaid, and sums of money for the same, as well before as after the raising of the said sums of 1,000*l.*, 1,500*l.*, and 500*l.*

Previously to the date of the last-mentioned deed, it appears from the Act Book of the hospital, and the old accounts, that the hospital had derived considerable advantages from Mr. Hele's estate. In 1641, interest was received on 300*l.* lent on bond, described as being "Hele's money;" but it is not quite clear that this sum of 300*l.* is not the same as was given by Alice Hele, the widow of Elize Hele, towards the repairs of the chapel, which gift is noticed in the letters patent of 1637. In 1649, Sir John Maynard and Elize Stert granted by deed the rents of the manors of Lawrence Clist, Gerrard's Clist, &c. for three years, for the benefit of the hospital. In the same year, 180*l.* was received from Sir John Maynard, and in 1656, 357*l.* 10*s.* more was received from him, which was applied, with other money, towards the purchase of the house of the Archdeacon of Totnes, as will be hereafter mentioned.

The rental at the end, marked (A.) contains the property now held under this gift, and accords with a map and survey of these estates, made in 1759.

We are not at present furnished with any information as to the tenement in the parish of Halberton, called Rostbridge, but it is probable that it was conveyed in pursuance of the directions of the 19th article of the schedule for the maintenance of a schoolmaster at Totnes, and it will form a subject for inquiry amongst the charities of that place.

The residue of the property has been conveyed from time to time to six members of the corporation of Exeter as feoffees. Three of those who were appointed by the last trust deed in 1808, are still living. In conformity with the directions in the schedule annexed to the foundation deed, the premises are still let on leases for terms of 99 years, determinable on lives, and one fourth part of the annual value is reserved as the rent, the fine to be paid on the granting of each lease being calculated on the remaining three-fourths of the annual value.

The mode of making these calculations, and of letting the property held under this trust, is detailed in the evidence at the end.

We have not been able to ascertain whether the sums of 1,000 *l.* and 500 *l.* directed by the schedule to be raised in the first instant out of the fines, and to be disposed of respectively towards maintaining a workhouse for the gaol of the county of Devon, and a workhouse in the city of Exeter, were so employed. The sum of 1,500 *l.* directed to be applied in the purchase of lands for the maintenance of Hele's hospital for poor maiden children, commonly called the Blue Maids' Hospital, will be noticed in the account of that hospital, in a subsequent part of the present Report.

The provisions of the schedule, by which a discretionary power is given to Sir John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them, to apply the sums to be raised by fines beyond the 3,000 *l.* therein specified, in pious and charitable uses, does not expressly provide for the disposal of the fines to arise after the death of the survivor, if no appointment should then have been made of them; and we have not found any trace of there having been any subsequent deed relating to them. The fines have, however, been from time to time paid over by the feoffees of these estates to the heirs of Sir John Maynard, (who survived Elize Stert) to be employed by them in charitable purposes. The heirs of Sir John Maynard at this time are the Marchioness of Londonderry, the Earl of Ancram, Viscount Valletort and Lady Suffield. Henry Ley, esq. late town clerk of Exeter, as their agent, receives the fines from the feoffees, and remits the same to Messrs. Drummond & Co. bankers in London, on account of the heirs. For the last four years sums have been paid by the feoffees to the heirs on account, but no complete settlement had, at the commencement of our inquiry, taken place, in consequence of a reeve or bailiff having been appointed in 1813 to survey these estates, superintend the repairs of these estates, deliver timber to the tenants, &c. and of doubts having been entertained by the feoffees as to the portion of this expense which ought to be paid out of the fines. As three-fourths of the value of this property are reserved in fines, and one-fourth in rent, it appears reasonable that all expenses incurred for the general advantage of it should be paid in similar proportions. Since our investigation of this charity commenced, this account has been settled as follows:—

1817. Fine received for No. 41,	£.	s.	d.	Paid by the feoffees to Mr. Ley	£.	s.	d.
in Rental (A.) - -	120	-	-	for the heirs, on account of	2,700	-	-
Ditto, No. 46 - -	71	-	-	fines in 1818, 1819 and 1820,			
1818. Ditto, No. 34 - -	1,100	-	-	Paid Messrs. Cartwright and			
Ditto, No. 36 - -	35	-	-	Powning, for the valuation of			
1819. Ditto, No. 35 - -	350	-	-	the manors of Clist St. Law-	179	9	-
Ditto, No. 13 - -	5	5	-	rence and Clist Gerrard, made			
1820. Ditto, No. 56 - -	230	-	-	in 1813 - - - -			
Ditto, No. 38 - -	350	-	-	Paid Mr. Powning three-fourths			
For three-fourths of one				of his expenses, as reeve, &c.	268	1	-
year's rent of No. 41,				from 1813 to 1820 - -			
while in hand, before	81	-	-	Balance paid to Mr. Ley, for	274	15	-
the lease was granted				the heirs, in June 1821 - -			
in 1817 - - - -							
	£.3,422	5	-		£.3,422	5	-

As No. 41 remained in hand some time before a sufficient price could be obtained for the lease of it, it seems reasonable, that three-fourths of a year's rent, which was received during that interval, should be carried to the account of the heirs, as is done in the above statement.

The sums received by the heirs on account of fines are divided into four equal shares, which are applied by them respectively, at their discretion, in various public charities in England, Scotland and Ireland. From the sums, making in the whole 2,700 *l.* received by Mr. Ley in the years 1818, 1819 and 1820, a deduction was made by him, as receiver, of five per cent. which allowance has been usual, but which, as the fines have of late considerably increased in amount, seems rather large, and the residue of those sums were remitted as received to Messrs. Drummond & Co. and placed to the separate charity accounts of the four heirs, in equal shares. In May 1821, the following sums were remaining there on their respective charity accounts,—

	£.	s.	d.
Marchioness of Londonderry - - - -	513	19	7
Earl of Ancram - - - -	440	-	-
Viscount Valletort - - - -	248	-	-
Lady Suffield - - - -	200	-	-

The reserved rents and the heriots paid on the falling of the lives on which the leases are held, are received by the stewards for the time being, and carried to the general account of the hospital.

In 1804, timber was cut and sold from the lands in Bovey Tracey to the amount of 220 *l.* which was carried to the account of the hospital. In 1808, timber was also cut and sold by auction from the manors of Clist St. Lawrence and Clist Gerrard to the amount of 2,724 *l.* 17 *s.* 6 *d.* the expenses attending the sale of which came to 193 *l.* 5 *s.* 5 *d.* The produce of the last-mentioned sale was also carried to the account of the hospital, making a large balance in favour of the charity upon the accounts of that year. Some observations will be found in a subsequent part of this Report, upon the mode in which the annual

annual balances of the charity in general, including this balance, were disposed of previously to the year 1809.

The sum of 329*l.* arising principally from the sale of the bark of the trees, delivered to the tenants of these estates for repairs, has been received by the reeve of these manors, and set off against demands which he had against the governors for carpenter's and joiner's work done at the hospital. The particulars of this account are stated in the evidence.

The following annual sums are paid by the steward in respect of this gift:—

	£.	s.	d.
To the schoolmaster at Moretonhampstead, appointed by the governors of St. John's Hospital, on the recommendation of the minister and principal inhabitants of that parish	-	-	10
To the divinity lecturer at Exeter College, Oxford	-	-	20
To the Hebrew lecturer - - - ditto	-	-	12

A separate statement of the receipts and expenditure, on account of this donation, ought, under the provisions of the schedule, to be annually prepared by the governors of the hospital for the heirs of Sir John Maynard. This appears to have been formerly done, but no such statement has been transmitted for many years. An account of the expenditure was indeed made out till the year 1813, by extracting from the general account such a proportion of the expenses of the hospital, as was considered applicable to this foundation; but the practice has been, since that time, discontinued, and the reason assigned for this omission is, that this donation is now so much intermixed with the other funds of the hospital, as to render it impossible to make out a distinct account fairly between the two branches of the charity. A principal object in requiring such a statement probably was, that it might appear that for every 10*l.* of the annual rents and profits received by the governors, one boy was taken into the hospital; but at this time it is evident that the boys could not be maintained at that rate.

The boys admitted on this foundation have of late years usually constituted rather more than half of the entire number of the Blue School in the hospital. The only distinction between them and the other boys of that establishment is, that, in addition to the usual premium of 6*l.* given with each of the boys upon their being put out apprentice, these boys also receive 4*l.* each at the expiration of their apprenticeship, to make up the 10*l.* specified in the schedule. No instance appears to have occurred of any boy, on this foundation, of extraordinary abilities, having received a further education in pursuance of the suggestions in the fifth article of the schedule. At the time of our inquiry, three out of eleven boys on this foundation had been appointed, on the nomination of the heirs of Sir John Maynard. Mr. Ley acts under a power of attorney from the heirs, in giving effect to these nominations.

These appointments have not been confined to any particular parishes. Although the parishes of Clist St. Lawrence, Broadclist and Bovey, are mentioned in the schedule, the power of nomination given to the heirs appears to be general.

We do not find any trace of manor courts having been held at Clist St. Lawrence and Clist Gerrard; but it has been usual to hold half-yearly audits (usually called courts) in the parish of Broadclist, at which the tenants attend and pay their rents. In the hospital accounts we find constant charges for the expense of these courts. Thus, in 1740, the expense of the two courts was 8*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*; in 1755, 10*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.*; and in 1758, 10*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.* It appears from an entry in the Act Book, in 1760, that it was then ordered, for the purpose of reducing the great expense (which for some years then last past had been annually increasing) of the half-yearly audits of these manors; that for the future the same should be held at Broadclist on the footing of 30 ordinaries, at 1*s.* each, and 6*d.* each for beer and cider for every person attending. Previously to the year 1808, the expense of these audits arose from the entertainment, both of the governors of the hospital who attended there, and of the tenants; but in that year it was resolved, that none of the tenants should in future be entertained at the courts at the expense of the trust, except such of them as might be invited to dine by the president and steward of the hospital for the time being. These audits have been usually attended by several of the governors of the hospital, the number varying from 10 to 14. The expenses of the dinners at Broadclist, of wine sent from Exeter, and of chaise-hire for the governors who attend, are charged to the account of the hospital. A statement will be found in the Appendix (No. 7.) of the sums paid for these purposes, from 1770 to the present time, comprehending also the expenses incurred during a considerable part of that period, for wine provided for the meetings of the governors at the hospital. By reference to this document, it will be seen that the expenditure on account of these audits has been very considerable; and although it may, in some degree, have been sanctioned, by custom, it appears to us to be unauthorized by any provision in the deed or schedule of 1658, and to be in a great measure unnecessary. Attempts appear to have been occasionally made to limit these charges, but no permanent reduction of the expense has taken place. In February 1821, since the commencement of our inquiry into this charity, it was resolved by the governors to recommend, at their next meeting, a resolution, that no person should be invited to attend the courts but the feoffees and officers for the year.

We cannot but think that this expense may be still farther limited, and that the attendance of no persons is necessary, except of the steward for the time being, with the reeve of the manor and the town-clerk, or his assistant, who keeps the hospital accounts. An occasional view of the premises by the feoffees may be proper; but this does not appear to have ever formed a part of the business at the audits, and it cannot be requisite that such views should take place half-yearly. A sum of 4*l.* per annum is allowed by the schedule annexed to the deed of 1658, for an entertainment at an annual meeting of the governors, &c. for settling the accounts, &c. This sum has been annually retained by the steward for the time being; and when audits of the hospital accounts have taken place, which have not been held at stated periods, but have comprehended the accounts of several years, has been contributed by each steward towards the expense of an entertainment for the governors.

**Herman's Gift.**—Ralph Herman, alderman of the city of Exeter, by his Will, bearing date 25th July 1661, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, reciting, that he had for some years given to the governors of St. John's hospital 8*l.* yearly, for the maintenance of one poor boy in the said hospital, and for the continuance thereof had entered into an obligation in the penal sum of 160*l.*, gave to the said governors a yearly rent-charge of 8*l.* to be issuing out of his messuage wherein he then dwelt, situate in the parish of St. Martin, near to the Broadgate, for the better maintenance

of one poor boy in the said hospital for ever, with power of distress, provided that, upon payment of the said annuity of 8*l.* the said obligation should be delivered up to be cancelled.

This rent-charge is received by the hospital, being No. 16 in Rental (B.) No boy is specifically maintained in respect of this gift.

*Richard Crossing's Gift.*—By Indenture, bearing date 30th September 1661, between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, of the first part; the governors of the hospital of St. John, in the said city, of the second part; and Richard Crossing, of the said city, esquire, of the third part; reciting, that Christopher Clarke and Christopher Lethbridge, merchants, by their deed, dated 26th of March 1660, for the consideration of 404*l.* therein expressed to be paid, and thereby acknowledged to be received, granted unto the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors for ever, all that site, piece, or plot of ground, sometime the inheritance of Thomas Achin, esq. of whom the said Christopher Clarke and Christopher Lethbridge purchased the same, whereon certain messuages or dwelling-houses had lately stood, but which had then been rased, converted, and made in common, with some other lands adjoining thereunto, into a corn market-place, situate in the parish of St. Olave, in the said city, having the wall belonging to the house wherein Otho Bastard then lived, on the west side; the wall belonging to the tavern there on the east; the back part of the houses, and the houses wherein Roger Bolt, Robert Seaman, and John Arundell then lived, on the north; and certain houses towards Smythen-street, otherwise the Butcher-row, on the south, for the limits and boundaries of the said premises, to hold the same to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors for ever, to the only use and behoof of the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors for evermore; and reciting also, that the said Richard Crossing, for the use and benefit of the said hospital of St. John, out of his charity, free gift and disposition for the increase of the revenue of the said hospital, did give, lay out and expend the sum of 500*l.* in the erecting and towards the purchasing of the before-recited premises, and with the intent that one annuity of 30*l.* should be granted, as thereafter was expressed, towards the maintenance and education of five poor boys in the said hospital, the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in consideration of the said sum of 500*l.* so given as aforesaid, granted to the said governors of the said hospital of St. John, their successors and assigns for ever, an annuity or yearly rent-charge of 30*l.* to be issuing as well out of all and singular the said messuages, dwelling-houses and premises before mentioned, to be conveyed by the said Christopher Clarke and Christopher Lethbridge to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, as all other their messuages, lands, &c. in the parishes of St. Olave and St. Mary Arches, in the said city of Exeter, converted and used, or taken as part or parcel of the said corn market, to hold the said annuity to the said governors of the hospital aforesaid, their successors and assigns, to be paid quarterly, upon trust, for and towards the education and maintenance of five poor boys in the said hospital for ever, according to the rules, statutes, orders and constitutions thereof, with power to the governors of the said hospital, and their successors, to enter and distrain upon the said premises, in default of payment of the annuity.

The deed herein recited of 26th March 1660, has been searched for amongst the papers of the chamber, but has not been found; but an entry in the minutes of the chamber, dated 1st May 1660, states that several writings about the new corn market were then sealed with the common seal, and put into the box, the expense of drawing and engrossing which was ordered to be paid; and it was then ordered, that the chamber granted and declared, that 30*l.* yearly should be paid out of the profits of the new corn market-place, as the gift of Richard Crossing, for maintaining five boys in St. John's hospital, in consideration of 500*l.* in money and lands by him given towards the purchase of and finishing the said market-place.

The above abstracted deed does not expressly state by whom the purchase-money, being 404*l.* of that part of the site of the corn market, which is therein particularly described, was paid; but from the recital, and from the entry in the minutes of the chamber, it might be inferred that this sum was paid out of the 500*l.* given by Richard Crossing. On the other hand, the following extracts from the Act Book, and the accounts of the hospital, tend to show that this sum was advanced from the funds of the hospital.

12th April 1660—"Ordered, that Mr. Pym, the present steward, do take out of the hospital chest so many bonds as will satisfy 404*l.* for the accompt of this hospital—*Mem.* This sum of 404*l.* was paid to Mr. Thomas Achin for and towards the purchase of the house Richard Mayne lived in, adjoining to the new corn market, and the erecting and new making of the same market, in respect whereof Mr. Lethbridge and Mr. Christopher Clarke are to pay yearly to the governors of St. John's hospital the sum of 20*l.* as appeareth by their deeds thereof, dated ———."

On 26th June 1660, a committee of governors was appointed, "to treat and confer together about the carrying on and settling of the business of the new corn market, appointed and given to this hospital, for the best benefit and advantage thereof, and to give in their report to this house at their meetings, how that business stands, and may be perfected."

On 21st September 1660, it was ordered, "that Mr. Pym take from Mr. Gandy and Mr. Deeble, or any other person that ought to give an account of the profits and benefit made of the serge market and corn market, their respective accounts together, with the monies due thereon."

Amongst the disbursements in the hospital accounts, from Michaelmas 1659 to Michaelmas 1660, are the following entries:

	£.	s.	d.
Paid making deeds about the corn market	-	-	6 6 8
Delivered Deeble a bond of	-	-	300 - -
Deeble, to complete what he ought to have for the corn-market	-	-	104 - -

And amongst the receipts in the accounts from Michaelmas 1660 to 1661, is this entry:

"Of Lethbridge and Clarke, out of the houses adjoining the corn market, for a year and a half, at 20*l.* per annum, 30*l.*" with a memorandum at the foot of the account, that "the profits of the new corn market are ordered to be paid to Mr. Pym, the present steward, in Deeble's, Bruen's, and Pym's years, and to the date of Mr. Crossing's deed for the same."

It further appears from the Act Book, that on 27th March 1662, Richard Crossing's deed was put into the hospital chest, and that on 21st September in the same year, Mr. Christopher Lethbridge gave notice of his intention, with Mr. Christopher Clarke, to surrender their lease or deed made by them, for the yearly payment of 20*l.* towards the maintenance of the poor boys in this hospital, and issuing

issuing out of the house Richard Mayne then lived in, adjoining to the new corn market, according to the condition of that lease; whereupon it was ordered, that the said lease should be yielded up at Michaelmas then next.

In 1668, this house, under the description of the house in which Nicholas Mayne late dwelt, was let by the governors of the hospital to Nicholas Cozens for five years, at the rent of 17*l.* a year. And in the accounts of 1670, the said Nicholas Cozens is stated to have paid that rent for a tenement and cellar adjoining the corn market.

In the minutes of the chamber, an entry, dated 8th October 1700, states, that a contract was made for letting the corn market and house to Nicholas Arthur, for three years, at the rent of 60*l.* viz. 43*l.* to the chamber, and 17*l.* to the hospital.

In 1719, a committee of governors of the hospital was appointed to inspect three houses, one of which is stated to be "in the corn market." And in 1720 another committee was appointed, to adjust the affair of the said three houses, one of which is stated to be "the house of the corn market belonging to this hospital."

In the accounts for 1720 an arrear is stated to be due of one year's rent of the dwelling-house in the corn market; and there are various charges about that time for repairs of that house, and for rates and taxes for the same. In the accounts for 1746, the sum of 14*l.* 8*s.* is stated to be received of Simon Newcombe, for a year's rent of part of the corn market, out of which an allowance of 1*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* was made to him for taxes; and the same annual sum of 14*l.* 8*s.* subject to a deduction, varying according to the amount of the rates and taxes, has been received by the hospital from that time to the present, of the receiver-general of the corporation, to whom the tenant of the whole corn market pays his rent.

In the accounts of the receiver-general of the chamber for 1753, is this entry:

"Received of Mr. Bennett, for the corn market one year, 23*l.* part thereof *£.* *s.* *d.*  
carried to St. John's hospital, 14*l.* 8*s.* - - - - - 8 12 -"

In 1761, William Luckey was the tenant, under the chamber, of the corn market; and he, his widow, and his son, successively held the same till 1818; first, at the rent of 29*l.*, and afterwards, upon the wool market being removed to the same place, of 40*l.* 11*s.* The leather market was also removed to the same place, but no addition was on that account made to the rent. Luckey's holding consisted of a public-house adjoining the corn market, in the parish of St. Olave, the tolls of the above-mentioned markets, and those of the oat market, which was held in a different place. The corn market occupies a square in front of the public-house, about one-half of which square is in the parish of St. Olave, and the residue partly in the parish of St. Mary Arches, and partly in that of St. George. On the sides of this square are butchers' stalls, for which distinct rents are paid to the chamber. In the poor's rate for the parish of St. Olave for 1816, the late tenant was rated,

	<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
For the corn market, by weekly payments, amounting in the year to - - - - -	-	6	10
Ditto, hospital land - - - - -	-	1	12
			6

Those rates were allowed him by the receiver-general on the payment of his rent.

The public-house is small, the ground-floor being occupied by butchers' stalls. The present value of the house, as distinct from the tolls of the market, is stated to be about 15*l.* a year. The same premises and tolls as were rented by Luckey, were let by auction, at Michaelmas 1818, to Walter Way, at the rent of 92*l.* per annum, which has been since reduced to 80*l.*

We have stated thus minutely the evidence which we have obtained relative to the payment which has been made to the hospital out of the corn market, because it appears to have been considered by the chamber as arising from the above-mentioned gift of Richard Crossing, though no explanation is given why the annuity of 30*l.*, which the chamber in 1661, in consideration of that gift, granted, as well out of the premises conveyed by Clarke and Lethbridge, as of all the residue of their messuages, &c., used as the corn market, should have been reduced to 14*l.* 8*s.* But from the time of granting this annuity, we find no instance of any payment expressly made in respect of it, the sums received appearing from the above extract to be for the rent of premises purchased with the sum of 404*l.* advanced from the funds of the hospital. In the deed of 1661, the property purchased with this sum is treated as belonging to the chamber, the annuity being charged thereon jointly with the other parts of the corn market, to which there is no reason to suppose that the hospital had any title; but, on the other hand, from the time of making that deed to the present, a portion of the rent of the corn market has been received by the hospital, and the residue by the chamber. These circumstances might in some degree be reconciled, if it could be shown that the hospital had received Mr. Crossing's 500*l.*: but in the hospital accounts of 1660, and the preceding years, we can find no entry of any sum received from Mr. Crossing. This case is involved in some obscurity. We have found no evidence to show that the chamber are not liable, under the deed of 1661, to the payment of the full annuity of 30*l.* a year out of the corn market, and we apprehend that the charity is entitled to claim some arrears on this account. We are also inclined to think, that the premises purchased of Clarke and Lethbridge for the above-mentioned sum of 404*l.*, comprising, as we conceive, the public-house and that part of the corn market which is in the parish of St. Olave, are the property of the hospital; and that, in addition to the annuity of 30*l.* the rents and profits arising therefrom, as distinct from the tolls of the market, which belong to the chamber, ought to be received for the use of the charity. But it is proper that these points should be the subject of a judicial decision.

**Olivean's Gift.**—Stephen Olivean, merchant, by his Will, bearing date 2d May 1668, and proved in the Consistory Court at Exeter, in that year, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, and their successors, an annuity or yearly rent-charge of 10*l.* for and towards the maintenance of poor children in the hospital called St. John's hospital, within the east gate of the said city, to be issuing and payable out of the house wherein he then lived, to be paid quarterly at the four usual feasts by equal portions.

This annuity appears from the accounts to have been received for several years after Mr. Olivean's death from his executors.

Amongst the documents of the hospital are some title-deeds relating to a house, curtilage, cellars and premises in the High-street, Exeter, bounded by the said street on the north, and in the parish of St. John's Bow, which appear from those deeds to have been the property of Stephen Olivean.

From the Act Book it appears that in 1707 the steward was ordered to pay to James Glyde, esq.

5*l.* 5*s.* for his right in late Olivean's house; that in September 1709, a committee of governors was appointed to treat with John Gale of Exeter, carpenter, or any other person, for the disposal of late Olivean's house on lives, under a yearly high rent not less than 5*l.*; that in the February following, articles between the governors and John Gale for late Olivean's estate, in the parish of St. John, received the common seal; and that in April 1711, two leases passed the seal, one to George Langworthy and the other to Robert Bussell, for 99 years, determinable on lives, of two tenements in the parish of St. John, formerly in the possession of Stephen Olivean. These two tenements now form one house (No. 18 in Rental B.) The two leases were renewed from time to time, one at the rent of 3*l.* and the other of 2*l.* till 1803, when they were consolidated into one lease, at the rent of 5*l.* and a fine of 320*l.* was paid for adding two lives. On the last preceding renewal in 1777, we find an agreement mentioned in the Act Book, between the governors and the late Alderman Edmund Walker, for the addition of one life in each of the two leases for the fines of 25*l.* and 15*l.*, and that such new leases were granted in the same year to John Wilcox.

*Christopher Lethbridge's Gift.*—The particulars of the gift of Christopher Lethbridge, by Will, in 1669, whereby he gave to the governors of St. John's hospital, after the yearly payments therein mentioned for other purposes, the residue of the rents of certain premises in the parishes of St. Thomas the Apostle and Newton Abbot, in the county of Devon, for the maintenance of one or more poor boys there, are separately stated in a subsequent part of the present Report.

With the exception of 50*l.* received from the curator of Christopher Lethbridge's charity in 1805, in pursuance of an order of the governors of the preceding year, no sums have been paid to the hospital in respect of this residue for many years; but it is admitted that the chamber of Exeter were indebted to Christopher Lethbridge's charity to September 1819, being the last audit of the accounts of that gift, in the sum of 935*l.*; of which it is now proposed by the chamber to carry 765*l.* as surplus, to the account of the said hospital, the chamber retaining the remaining 170*l.* to provide for the other objects of this donor's bounty.

Care ought to be taken that in future the surplus of this gift is regularly paid over to the account of the hospital.

*Bidgood's Gift.*—By Indentures of Lease and Release, bearing date 17th and 18th April 1691, made between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exon, of the one part; and John Snell and Christopher Bale, two of the aldermen of the said city, and John Cholwich, of Farringdon, of the other part; reciting, that John Bidgood, doctor in physic, by Will, bearing date 10th January 1691, gave to the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich, the sum of 600*l.* to be laid out in the purchase of lands of the yearly value of 30*l.* or more, and directed that such purchase should be made in the names of the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich, and their heirs, upon trust, to permit and suffer the governors of St. John's hospital, within the said city, for the time being, and their successors, to receive the rents and profits of such messuages, lands, &c. and apply the same for the benefit and maintenance of three poor boys, to be kept and maintained in St. John's hospital aforesaid, according to the directions of the said governors and their successors, and the constitutions, rules and orders of the said hospital; the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in consideration of the sum of 600*l.* paid by the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich, granted and conveyed to them and their heirs "all that messuage or tenement and several mills, that is to say, three grist mills, one malt mill, and eight fulling mills, with their and every of their appurtenances, commonly called or known by the name of Duryard Mills, situate, lying and being in the manor of Duryard, in the parish of St. David, within the county of the said city of Exon, and all houses, edifices, buildings, barns, stables, orchards, gardens, lands, meadows, leasowes, pastures, feedings, woods, underwoods, easements, profits, commodities and emoluments whatsoever, to the said premises, or any part thereof, belonging or in anywise appertaining or accepted, reputed or taken as part or parcel or member thereof," in trust for and towards the raising of the aforesaid annual sum of 30*l.* for ever thereafter, for the maintenance of three poor boys in St. John's hospital aforesaid, according to the direction and appointment of the said John Bidgood; and the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich, covenanted with the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, that in case the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, should for ever pay to the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich, and the survivor of them, and the heirs of such survivor, the full and clear annual sum of 30*l.* quarterly without deduction, that then it should be lawful for the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, from time to time peaceably to have, hold and enjoy the said premises. And the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty covenanted to pay the said annuity quarterly, and for the title of the said premises, and that in default of payment of the said annuity, the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich might peaceably have, hold, use, occupy, possess and enjoy the said premises free from incumbrances (except a lease theretofore made of the said premises by the said mayor and commonalty, bearing date 21st October, 25th Charles II. to Thomas Walker, esq. for 99 years determinable on two lives), and for further assurance, with a proviso that till default of payment of the annuity, the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty might lease the premises for lives, or terms of years determinable on lives; and it was agreed between all the parties, that until default of payment of the said annuity or some part thereof, it should be lawful for the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, peaceably and quietly to have, hold, use, occupy, possess and enjoy the said premises without the lawful let, suit, trouble or interruption of the said John Snell, Christopher Bale and John Cholwich, their heirs or assigns.

The estate called Duryard Mill tenement appears to have come into the possession of the hospital, in consequence of the rents and profits thereof having been insufficient for the payment of the annuity, but we are not enabled to state precisely the time at which this took place. A memorandum in the Act Book of the hospital, of 15th June 1727, states, that there was then due for the rent of Duryard mills 217*l.* 10*s.*, as appeared by an account produced, from which was to be deducted what had been received by distress. On 21st September 1728, it was ordered by the governors that distresses should be taken from time to time, till the arrears of the annuity of Duryard mills should be paid. In the hospital accounts for 1736, the sum of 30*l.* 16*s.* is stated to have been received from the receiver of the city for wood, &c. from Duryard estate, and the sum of 41*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* from the tenants thereof for rents to Michaelmas 1735. In 1748, a lease of this estate appears from the Act Book to have passed the common seal of the hospital, at the yearly rent of 34*l.*; and from 1749 to 1753, that



sum appears to have been received for rent, subject to deductions for disbursements allowed to the tenant, varying in amount, which reduced the clear income to less than 30*l.* In 1754, the rent was 35*l.* 10*s.* and continued the same, subject to deductions of about the same amount till 1774, when considerable repairs were done to the mills, and the rent was increased to 63*l.*, which was again lowered in 1789 to 60*l.* In 1796, a part of this tenement, consisting of the mills, was let to John Wotton Bennett for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, in consideration of a fine of 10*l.* 10*s.*, at the yearly rent of 5*l.* 5*s.*; which rent, in consequence of some addition to his holding, was raised in 1803 to 7*l.* 7*s.* About the year 1815, this lease having become vested in William Gray, the chamber of Exeter, in consideration of the sum of 285*l.* demised to him the premises which he so held for the term of 1,000 years, at a nominal rent. This sum of 285*l.* was carried to the account of the chamber.

The residue of the Duryard mill tenement consists of two small farms, one of them containing 16  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land, in the occupation of William Mugford, which was let to him in 1803 at 50*l.* a year, and continued to be held at the same rent till 1818, when it was thought proper to reduce the rent to 40*l.* The other farm, comprising a cottage and 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land, is let at 40*l.* a year, which has been the amount of the rent since 1803. It was lately in the occupation of John Clark, deceased, and is now managed for the benefit of his widow and child, by Francis Cross, esq. who has undertaken to be answerable for the rent. A part of the last-mentioned farm, containing 3 R. & 3 P. was, in 1810, let by the governors of the hospital to the Exeter and Crediton Canal Company, for 14 years, at the yearly rent of 6*l.* This canal not having been completed, the lease was surrendered in 1819. The rent was paid to Michaelmas in that year, and the further sum of 18*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* was also paid by the Company for the injury done to the land, as estimated by two surveyors. In consideration of the land having been thus lost to the tenant, an allowance has been made to him of 5*l.* a year.

With the exception of the above-mentioned sum of 285*l.* which was received by the chamber, the whole of the rents and profits of this estate have from 1748 (and probably for some years before) to the present time been received by the steward for the time being, and carried to the account of the hospital. Until the increase of rent which took place in 1774, the clear rents were inadequate to the payment of the annuity of 30*l.* charged upon the estate, but from that time there has been a considerable surplus, to which, as well as to the future rents of the property beyond the amount of the annuity, the chamber conceive that they are entitled. In the statement of the accounts between the chamber and the hospital, which will be found in a subsequent part of this Report, a claim is inserted as made by the chamber, of 1,545*l.* 2*s.* 13*d.* being the amount of the surplus of the rents and profits from 1770 to 1820, received by the hospital, after giving credit for the annuity of 30*l.* and the disbursements which appear in the accounts to have been allowed to the tenants, or expended upon the premises; and a document in the Appendix (No. 4.) shows the particulars of which that sum is composed. If the chamber can establish this claim, we conceive that this account ought to be opened from the time when the estate was given up to the hospital, as the rents were insufficient, till 1774, to satisfy the annuity of 30*l.* But it is a question of considerable importance to the charity, and which ought, as we conceive, to be brought under the consideration of a court of equity, whether under the provisions of the deed of 1691 (which recites the gift by Dr. Bidgood, of 600*l.* to three trustees, two of whom were members of the corporation, to be laid out in the purchase of land, and in which the corporation covenant for the quiet enjoyment of the premises granted to the trustees in default of payment of the annuity of 30*l.*) and after the long possession by the hospital under the circumstances above stated, the chamber are now entitled, either to resume the possession of these lands, or to recover the overplus of the rents which have been received by the hospital. In the decision of this question will also be involved the right of the chamber to dispose of the mills as above mentioned for the term of 1,000 years, and to retain the consideration received by them for that grant.

*Sir Edward Seaward's Gift.*—By Indenture, bearing date 21st May 1731, between Richard Hill, of the first part; William Stabback and four others, of Exeter, of the second part; and the governors of the hospital of St. John, of the third part; reciting, that by indenture quadrupartite, bearing date the 29th September, 2d Anne, made between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, of the first part; Sir Edward Seaward, knight, alderman of the said city, of the second part; the said governors of St. John's hospital, of the third part; and the said Richard Hill and others, of the fourth part; wherein certain leases for 99 years, determinable on lives, from the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty to different persons, are recited of the following premises, and at the following rents:—

	Rent.
Of a house in the High-street	£.3 6 8
Of another house in the High-street, near Broad-gate	4 — —
Of another house and garden in the Butcher-row	1 6 8
Of a messuage and garden adjoining the South-gate	2 16 —
Of a messuage in the street between West-gate and Key-gate	— 13 4
Of another house in the same street	— 13 4
Of another house in the High-street	2 — —
Of a shop and cellar and chamber in the High-street	2 13 4
Of a tenement and two towers over the East-gate, and a wood-house and plot of ground	4 — —
Of a tenement and garden near the East-gate	1 — 4
Of a house and curtilage in Northgate-street	1 10 —
	£.23 19 4

It was by the said recited indenture quadrupartite witnessed, that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for the consideration of 600*l.* to them paid by the said Sir Edward Seaward, by him given as a charity for the said hospital, and of the sum of 119*l.* paid by the said governors of the hospital, to make up the purchase of the rents by the said recited indenture granted (the said 600*l.* not being of itself a sufficient consideration for the same), and of 10*s.* paid by the said Richard Hill and others, granted to the said Richard Hill and others, their executors, &c. the said several yearly rents, reserved out of the premises by the said leases granted, during the continuance of the said respective terms of years, upon trust, to permit and suffer the said governors of the hospital to receive and

and employ all the said yearly rents for the use, benefit and maintenance of three poor boys, to be from time to time admitted, kept and maintained in the said hospital, according to the direction of the said governors and their successors, and the constitutions, rules and orders of the said hospital; and reciting that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, by the said recited indenture, for the considerations aforesaid, granted to the said Richard Hill and others, and their heirs, a yearly rent-charge of 23 *l.* 19 *s.* 4 *d.* to be issuing out of the said messuages, &c. by the said leases demised, in manner following; (that is to say) that such sums as were then reserved out of the said messuages respectively, should be issuing out of the same, so that any of the said messuages, &c. should not be chargeable with a greater sum by virtue of the said indenture quadrupartite, than the same were respectively chargeable with by the said leases, the said rent-charge, or such parts thereof, as were to be issuing out of the said messuages, &c. respectively to commence after the determination of the terms respectively granted by the said leases, to the intent that the full yearly sum of 23 *l.* 19 *s.* 4 *d.* should be forever payable out of the said premises to the said governors and their successors, to the uses in the said indenture quadrupartite mentioned; and reciting that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, by the said indenture quadrupartite, granted to the said Richard Hill and others, and their heirs, a rent-charge of 30 *s.* payable to them out of a house in the High-street, at the corner of St. Luke's-lane, and another rent-charge of 4 *l.* 10 *s.* payable out of a messuage and lands in the parish of St. David, Exeter, late parcel of the manor or fee of Duryard, upon the trusts aforesaid; and reciting, that it was declared by the said indenture quadrupartite, that when the trustees should be reduced to two, the survivors should convey the same rents to six other persons upon the same trusts. The said Richard Hill, as the surviving trustee, granted and transferred to the said parties of the second part, all the said yearly rents and rent-charges, amounting in the whole to 29 *l.* 19 *s.* 4 *d.* upon trust, to suffer the governors of the hospital to receive and employ the same for the use, benefit and maintenance of three poor boys, to be admitted and maintained in the said hospital as aforesaid.

It does not appear upon what calculation the value of these rents was estimated at the time when they were granted by the chamber. They amount to rather more than four per cent. upon the sum of 719 *l.* which is above stated to have been paid for them.

Of the tenements charged by the above recited deed (the original of which is not found amongst the documents of the hospital), we are informed that the house in the Butcher-row, the rent of which was 1 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* has been sold by the chamber of Exeter; and that the tenement and two towers over the east gate, &c. the rent of which was 4 *l.* and the tenement near the east gate, the rent of which was 1 *l.* were pulled down some years ago with the east gate, and the site thereof thrown into the street. The rent of the house adjoining the south gate has been raised from 2 *l.* 16 *s.* to 15 *l.* and that of the house in Northgate-street, from 1 *l.* 10 *s.* to 5 *l.* 5 *s.* The present rents, therefore, of the remaining premises amount to 39 *l.* 11 *s.* 8 *d.*, the rent of 4 *l.* for the second house in High-street, mentioned in the deed, being entered in the accounts as a chief rent, and not as a conventional rent. The provisions of the above-recited indenture quadrupartite, by which rent-charges, to the amount of only 29 *l.* 19 *s.* 4 *d.* were, after the determination of the then existing leases, granted to the hospital, have not been adverted to, and the whole amount of the existing rents have been paid to the steward, and carried to the account of the hospital, in consequence of which, the hospital has received from 1770 to 1820, 128 *l.* 2 *s.* beyond the amount of the rent-charges to which it was entitled. In the claims hereinafter stated of the chamber upon the hospital, credit is given to the former for this sum, and a document in the Appendix (No. 5) shows the amount of the rents received by the hospital, and of the rent-charges due to it during this period, upon which the above-mentioned balance appears to be due to the chamber. In the year 1808, two fines, one of 350 *l.* and the other of 84 *l.* paid by tenants on the renewal of leases of parts of the above-mentioned premises were incorrectly received by the steward, and carried to the hospital account, for which sums, upon a general settlement of accounts between the chamber and the charity, credit ought to be given to the former. These sums are also introduced in the claims of the chamber, as stated in a subsequent part of this Report.

It is to be observed, that by the recited indenture, each portion of the premises charged is to be liable to the amount only of the respective rents reserved at the time of the grant. The security, therefore, of the hospital is lessened by the above-mentioned tenements having been pulled down. The liability of the chamber to the payment of the annual sum of 29 *l.* 19 *s.* 4 *d.* is admitted; but it seems proper that some security should be given by the chamber to the hospital for the full payment of this annual sum.

No boys are maintained in the hospital specifically in respect of this gift.

*Newcombe's Gift.*—By Indentures of Lease and Release, bearing date 15th and 16th June 1773, and enrolled in Chancery, between Robert Lydston Newcombe, esq. only son and heir at law, and administrator of John Newcombe, esq. of the one part; and Gregory Jackson and Thomas Coffin, esqrs. and five others, of the other part; reciting, that by indentures of lease and release, bearing date the 20th and 21st of May 1772, the release being made between the said John Newcombe, esq. of the first part; the said Robert Lydston Newcombe, esq. of the second part; and the said Thomas Coffin and five others, of the third part; the said John Newcombe being seised in fee of one-fourth part of three newly-erected messuages or tenements, curtilages and gardens thereunto belonging, situate in the parish of St. Stephen the Martyr, in Exeter, bounded by a garden, commonly called the High School Garden, on the north, and the High-street of the city of Exeter on the south, granted to the said parties of the third part, and their heirs, the aforesaid one-fourth part of the said three messuages, &c. on trust, from time to time, to receive and pay over to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city of Exeter, and their successors, for ever, or to their receiver for the time being, the rents and profits thereof, which the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty were to apply from time to time, as they or the most part of them should order and appoint, towards the maintenance, education and support of such poor boys as then were, or thereafter should be by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, placed in St. John's Hospital; and that by the same indenture, the said Robert Lydston Newcombe being entitled (for the residue of a term of 2,000 years) to three other fourth-parts of the said three messuages, &c. in trust for the said John Newcombe, by the consent of the said John Newcombe assigned, and the said John Newcombe granted and confirmed unto the said parties of the third part, their executors, &c. all the aforesaid three-fourth parts of the said three messuages for the residue of the said term of 2,000 years, upon the same trusts as were declared concerning the said one-fourth part of the said premises; and reciting also, that the said John Newcombe had died intestate, and that letters of administration of his effects had been granted to the said Robert Lydston Newcombe, and that it was apprehended



apprehended that the above-mentioned grant and assignment, made by the said John Newcombe, became void by the statute of mortmain, in regard that the said John Newcombe died within twelve months from the time of his executing the same; but that the said Robert Lydston Newcombe being desirous that the intentions of his father should be carried into execution, had offered to make a new conveyance and assignment of the said premises to the said Gregory Jackson and others, upon the trusts above mentioned, the said Robert Lydston Newcombe granted to the said Gregory Jackson and others, and their heirs, the aforesaid one-fourth part of the aforesaid three messuages, &c. upon the trusts aforesaid: And the said Robert Lydston Newcombe assigned unto the said Gregory Jackson and others, their executors, &c. the aforesaid three-fourths of the said three messuages, &c. to hold to them, their executors, &c. for the residue of the said term of 2,000 years, upon the same trusts as were declared concerning the above-mentioned one-fourth part, but subject nevertheless to the sum of 30*s.*, being a proportionable part of the sum of 50*s.* given by the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Southmead, payable out of the aforesaid premises, with other lands in the parish of St. Paul, in the said city of Exeter, and which were then in the possession of Captain Prescott and Christopher Bale, for the benefit of the poor of St. Catherine's almshouses in the said city, and payable at Christmas yearly, for ever: And it was declared, that when the trustees were reduced to three, the survivors should convey the said three messuages to such other six or more persons as they should appoint (such new trustees being of the aldermen of the said city), to the use of such surviving and such new trustees: And it was further declared, that the said premises should not at any time, by any of the trustees, be leased or demised to any one, upon any fine to be taken for the abatement of the rent thereof, but only at the full yearly value; and that the same should either be let from year to year, or by leases not exceeding 21 years in possession; and that all leases should be made by the trustees, with the consent and approbation of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city of Exeter, otherwise all such leases should be absolutely void: And lastly, it was declared, that the said Robert Lydston Newcombe, and his heirs, should have the nomination and placing of one boy in the said hospital from time to time, so that he or they should always have such boy in the full possession of the benefit of the said hospital.

These premises are now let by one joint lease, and are comprised in No. 28, in Rental (B.) They have been always let according to the directions of the above-mentioned deed, for short terms of years, at rack-rent. The houses in that part of Exeter in which this property is situate have much increased in value since the time of the donation. The rent, which shortly after the gift was 69*l.*, subject to disbursements for repairs, &c. is now increased to 120*l.* clear of all deductions. Previously to granting the present lease of these premises, a considerable sum was laid out from the hospital funds in repairing them. There has been no renewal of the trustees, as directed by the deed of 1773. The leases of the property are granted by the governors of the hospital. The annual sum of 30*s.*, as specified in Mr. Newcombe's deed, is paid to the poor of St. Catherine's almshouses, in respect of Mrs. Southmead's gift.

One boy is constantly maintained in the hospital on the recommendation of John Newcombe, esq. son of the above-mentioned Robert Lydston Newcombe.

In the foregoing statement of the various gifts of lands, &c. to this hospital, all the premises contained in the two Rentals in the Appendix have been accounted for, except the following:—

Nos. 13, 14 and 15, in Rental (B.) adjoin the hospital, and are supposed to have been included in the original conveyance thereof by John and Francis Crossing. They appear as far back as the year 1735 to have been let for terms of 99 years, determinable on lives, and probably were let in the same manner at a much earlier period. The ground floor only of No. 14 is in the possession of the hospital. The chambers over it are, and have been for many years, in the possession of individuals, who claim them as their own property.

We have not been able to discover by what means the hospital became possessed of Nos. 23 and 27 in Rental (B.) being two dwelling-houses and a field (now converted into a nursery) in Longbrooke-street. It appears from the Act Book, that in 1657 and 1658, three building leases were granted by the governors of the hospital of plots of ground in Longbrooke-street, but at that time the governors were in the possession of the manor of St. Sidwell, under a purchase which will be hereafter mentioned; and as we are informed that a part of Longbrooke-street is in the parish of St. Sidwell, we think it not improbable that the plots of ground so leased were parcels of that manor. But we cannot distinctly trace the possession by the charity of the houses and land in Longbrooke-street, mentioned in the Rental, and which are in St. David's parish, at an earlier period than the year 1746, when it appears from the accounts that rent was received for them.

In 1764, the premises comprised in No. 23, having been previously let at rack-rent, were let on a lease for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the rent of 4*l.* 4*s.*, and without fine. The present houses were built at the commencement of the now existing lease, which was granted in 1796, the term to commence from 1793.

The field, which contains about an acre and a half, was, in 1761, let for 7, 14 or 21 years, at the yearly rent of 7*l.* In 1785, it was let for 14 years, at 7*l.* 10*s.*; and in 1799, the rent was increased to 9*l.* In 1802, a lease of it was granted for 99 years, determinable on three lives, in consideration of a fine of 84*l.*, at the rent of 40*s.*, with a power to the lessee to add another life on payment of 20*l.*, and it has since been converted into a nursery. It appears to be generally admitted, that it is disadvantageous to grant leases, determinable on lives, of lands on which there are no buildings; but this particular letting is justified on the part of the chamber, on the ground of the field having previously become a deposit for the filth of the city, and thereby a public nuisance, which was removed by converting it into a nursery, for which purpose it is probable that a tenant might require a longer interest than a term of 14 or 21 years.

In 1809, the sum of 89*l.* 10*s.* appears to have been accounted for, as received by the steward of the hospital, for timber cut on this field.

It will be seen by the Rental (B.) that all the houses in Exeter belonging to the hospital (with the exception of those given by Mr. Newcombe, and a small stable, No. 6, leased for 99 years absolute) are let for terms of 99 years, determinable on lives, which have in general been renewed from time to time, on payment of fines. Some of them have been so let from the time when they first came into the possession of the hospital, and no new lease of this description, comprising property previously let at rack-rent, has been granted since 1770, except that of the field in Longbrooke-street, just mentioned. We are informed that the houses belonging to individuals in this city are rarely let in this

manner, and it appears to us to be a system peculiarly disadvantageous in the case of property belonging to a charity, where it is highly desirable to secure a regular annual income for the support of the objects of the establishment. In cases where the houses are in inferior situations, it may be difficult to let them to advantage at rack-rent; and where they are very old, building or repairing leases of the above-mentioned description may, from a want of funds applicable to those purposes, become necessary. But in those instances, it seems desirable that (as far as is practicable) the value of the premises should be reserved in rent and not by way of fine. If fines are taken, it appears to us that they ought to be invested in the public funds, so as to produce an annual income to the charity. Many of the leases of the hospital lands have been improperly granted in the corporate name of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, instead of that of the governors of the hospital. This should be avoided in future, as tending to confound the property of the charity with that of the chamber.

A rent is paid by the chamber of Exeter for a part of the hospital, consisting of a room under the grammar-school, and several rooms in the court of the hospital used for the purposes of the cloth fairs. (No. 30, in Rental B.)

For many years previously to 1779, this part of the hospital was let to different individuals. In the accounts for 1779, it is stated, that the chamber had agreed to give 26*l.* per annum, from Michaelmas in that year, for Mr. Marshall's house and rooms and Mr. Pierce's cellars and other parts of the hospital used for the cloth fairs; and the same rent was received by the stewards of the hospital to 1811. In the statement of the claims of the hospital upon the chamber, which will be found in a subsequent part of this Report, credit is taken for three years' rent, at the same rate to 1814, and for six years' rent to 1820, at 18*l.* a year. The reason assigned on the part of the chamber for the reduction of this rent is, that a room now used as the hospital committee-room has been kept for that purpose, and not employed since 1814, as it had previously been for the cloth fairs. Some rooms in the back part of the hospital are let as cellars to Mr. John Hill, a wine-merchant, as yearly tenant, at the rent of 8*l.* 8*s.* (No. 31, in Rental B.)

*Pecuniary Gifts to St. John's Hospital.*—Some pecuniary gifts for the benefit of this hospital have been noticed in the foundation deed of 1629, in the letters patent of Charles I.; and in some of the donations already specified, where lands and money were given by the same person.

It is stated in Izacke's manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions, that the chamber of Exeter laid out 410*l.* and upwards in procuring the letters patent, establishing the hospital and new building, and repairing the edifices thereto belonging, and for several years together gave yearly 8*l.* to the hospital, which had been given to them for an annual feast on St. Peter's day, by Mr. Peter Blundell. It appears from the Act Book, that in 1656, this annual sum of 8*l.* was ordered to be again applied to a feast on St. Peter's day.

The remaining donations are contained in the following list. Where no particulars are stated, the gifts were for the general purposes of the hospital.

1632.—George Jourdain, 30*l.* for a new school to be erected.

1640.—Grace Sheer, 50*l.* for building the Latin master's lodgings.

„ Rebecca Borough, 200*l.*

„ John Gupwill, 30*l.*

„ Mary Modgford, 20*l.*

„ Thomas Crossing, 60*l.* for re-edifying the hospital.

„ Nicholas Clarke, 5*l.* ditto.

1641.—Thomas Bridgman, 500*l.* By Mr. Bridgman's will, which is dated 3d April 1641, and proved in the Consistory Court at Exeter, he gave this sum of 500*l.* to be paid by his executors, and to be employed by the religious discretion of the chamber of Exeter, towards the relief of the poor of the same city, and the suburbs thereof, and the same to continue for ever, the care whereof he commended to his executors and overseers. From an entry in the Act Book of the governors, dated 19 June 1655, it appears that of this sum, 250*l.* was then in the hands of Mr. James Marshall, and 250*l.* in the hands of Mr. Walter Deeble, for which they paid 30*l.* per annum, until lands might be purchased therewith; and it was ordered, by consent of the chamber, and the executors and overseers of the said will, that the said 30*l.* or the profit of whatever might be purchased with the said 500*l.* should be converted to binding out the poor boys of the hospital, according to the discretion of the governors.

From another entry in the same book, in 1658, it appears that 250*l.* of this money was then employed in carrying on the common brewhouse of the city of Exeter, which formed a part of the income of the Blue Maids' hospital hereafter mentioned. From the accounts of 1660, it appears, that in that year this sum of 250*l.* was repaid, and that 100*l.* of it was lent to Christopher Clarke, then mayor, and 150*l.* to the chamber on bond.

1645.—Grace Hill, 5*l.*

1655.—Humphrey Holcombe, 40*l.* for clothing 20 boys at that time.

„ Several benefactors, 141*l.* and the chamber 59*l.* for raising a stock to clothe the boys.

1656.—Gilbert Keate, 400*l.* In Izacke's manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions, it is stated that Gilbert Keate gave and paid to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, 400*l.* for and towards the maintenance of four poor children, viz. two boys and two maids, to be taken from time to time out of the parish of St. Mary the More, in the said city; which two boys were to be received into the hospital of St. John, and the said maids into the intended hospital for maids in the said city, there to be educated, and from thence bound out apprentices, and the children were to wear upon their hospital gowns this mark, G. K. as by deeds made between the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and the said Gilbert Keate, bearing date 12 August 1656, more at large appeared. We have not found these deeds, but in the accounts of St. John's hospital for 1656, the sum of 200*l.* is accounted for, as received from this gift. From the Act Book it appears that two boys were in the same year nominated in respect thereof, and two boys in the parish of St. Mary the More are still constantly maintained in this hospital, appointed by the governors on the recommendation of the minister and parish officers of that parish.

1656.—Peter Hellyar (master of the hospital), who died about this time, is stated, in Izacke's manuscript catalogue, to have given 500*l.* to the hospital, besides certain deductions made by him from the allowances for the boys, payable to him.

1657.—John Lovering, 120*l.*

„ Edward Mitchell, 320*l.* The sum given by this donor's will, which is proved in the Prerogative

gative Court of Canterbury, was 400*l.* to be bestowed by Mr. Snow's directions, but if it might be, for two boys to be maintained in the hospital. By a codicil thereto, this sum was reduced to 200*l.*; but in Izacke's manuscript catalogue it is stated, that the sum of 320*l.* was, after Edward Mitchell's decease, brought in and paid to the steward of St. John's hospital by his executors for the purpose aforesaid. In the Act Book it is also stated, that in 1666, 200*l.* of Edward Mitchell's gift was brought in, in bonds, and 120*l.* in money.

1661.—James Gould, 100*l.* towards the maintenance of poor boys taken into the hospital.

„ Nicholas Ricost, 20*l.*

„ John Hayne, 10*l.*

„ Philippa Hayne, 10*l.*

1665.—Francis Dabynott, 30*l.*

1667.—John Cooke, 100*l.* towards the maintenance of one poor boy in the hospital.

1672.—Sir Benjamin Oliver, 200*l.* towards the maintenance of poor scholars in the hospital.

1695.—John Tucker, 100*l.* A bequest of this sum, by this donor, towards the education and maintenance of the poor children of St. John's hospital, is mentioned in Izacke's printed Memorials of Exeter. We do not find it noticed in the Act Book. The hospital accounts at this period are wanting.

1701.—John Lethbridge by his will, dated 3d February 1701, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, 216*l.* upon trust, that they or such person or persons to whom the same should be lent (as he willed it should be lent) should pay interest for the same at five per cent.; and that, amongst other distributions which will be hereafter noticed, 50*s.* of the interest thereof should be applied by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, to the hospital of St. John, in the said city, yearly for ever, towards the maintenance of the poor boys therein. This interest of 50*s.* per annum is not now paid by the chamber to the hospital; and in the absence of the hospital accounts, at the time of the date of the gift, we can find no trace of its having ever been paid. But as the chamber pay annually 7*l.* 16*s.* as the interest of a part of the above-mentioned 216*l.* to Christopher Lethbridge's almshouse, we see no reason to doubt that they received the sum thus bequeathed to them; and if they did so receive it, we apprehend that they ought still to pay the 50*s.* per annum to the hospital, unless they can show that part of the money was lent out according to the directions of the will, and thereby lost.

1709.—Elizabeth Sherow, 100*l.* In the Act Book it is stated, that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in this year, it was ordered that the town clerk, who was executor of Mrs. Sherow, should pay 50*l.* of this legacy, which he was ready to pay, and pay or give over a bond for the remaining 50*l.*

1770.—Unknown donor, 50*l.* This sum was paid by Robert Lydston Newcombe, esq. and was to be applied as the chamber should direct, who recommended that it should be applied to this hospital, which was accordingly done.

1783 and 1784.—Earl of Buckinghamshire, 100*l.* in two sums of 85*l.* and 15*l.* out of the fines arising from Hele's estates.

1792.—Benjamin Gilbert, 50*l.* for the Blue School. B. Gilbert's will is dated in 1783. He died in 1790, and the legacy was received in 1792.

1809.—James Green, 50*l.*

At the commencement of this establishment, it appears to have been in part supported by voluntary annual contributions; but these ceased at an early period. All the monies received, either from the rents and profits of the lands, or from pecuniary donations, were carried to one general account, and different sums were lent out on security from time to time by the governors, partly to individuals and partly to the chamber of Exeter. In 1641, the sums thus lent on bond appear from the accounts to have amounted to 1,300*l.* During the time of the Commonwealth, a part of the funds of the charity were expended in the purchase of certain portions of church property, which had been sold under the authority of the Parliament. Thus in 1650, the palace of the Bishop of Exeter, and the court called the Bishop's Fee, which had in 1648 been conveyed, in consideration of 400*l.* by Simon Snow to the chamber of Exeter, were for the same sum conveyed by the latter to the governors of the hospital, and a mortgage for 400*l.* which had been previously made by the chamber to the governors, of certain premises in the manor of Duryard, was cancelled. In 1653, Henry Gandy, in consideration of 500*l.* conveyed to the governors the manor and fee of St. Sidwell, in the suburbs and county of the city of Exeter, which had been the property of the dean and chapter. In 1655, John Embree, in consideration of 450*l.* (of which the sum of 357*l.* was received of Sir John Maynard from Mr. Hele's estate) conveyed to the governors the house of the Archdeacon of Totnes, in the cathedral yard. And in 1658 the chamber, in consideration of 650*l.* conveyed to the governors the churches called Alihallows on the Wall, St. John's Bow, Trinity, Pancras, St. George, St. Stephen, and St. Martin, in the city of Exeter.

The conveyances of the above-mentioned premises to the hospital, still remain amongst the documents there. We find in the Act Book and the accounts, traces of their having been in possession of the governors till the Restoration, at which time they were probably given up to their former uses, though no minute appears of this transaction; and we apprehend, that the sums applied in these purchases were thus lost to the charity. A considerable sum still remained due to the hospital on bond. In 1659, the bonds due from the chamber amounted to 860*l.* and those due from individuals, 914*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*

In 1677, there was one bond due from the chamber to the hospital for 1,500*l.* The bonds then due from individuals amounted to 300*l.*

In 1687, there appear to have been no sums due from individuals to the hospital, but the bond debt owing from the chamber was then 1,600*l.* In the minutes in the Act Book of the hospital for that year, a statement of an account between the chamber and the hospital is inserted, in which credit is given to the hospital for ten years' interest on 1,500*l.* and for two years and five months' interest on 100*l.* at five per cent. amounting in the whole to 762*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*; and on the other hand, credit is given to the chamber for sums advanced to the different stewards on account of interest, amounting to 761*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* leaving the small sum of 8*s.* 2*d.* due to the hospital to balance the interest account. Amongst the minutes in the Act Book, in 1693, a similar account of interest appears from 1687 to 29th September 1692. The sums advanced by the chamber during that period are there stated to amount to 660*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* and the amount then due for interest to be 353*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.* leaving a balance of 307*l.* 7*s.* in favour of the chamber, which being deducted from the bond debt of 1,600*l.* there remained due to the hospital the sum of 1,292*l.* 13*s.* On the 20th June 1694, it was ordered by the governors, that the steward of the hospital should pay to the chamber 7*l.* 7*s.* to make up the sum due

from the chamber to the hospital 1,300*l.* and that the two old bonds should be cancelled, and that a new bond should be given by the chamber to the hospital for that sum, bearing date from 29th September 1692.

From that time we find no farther trace in the Act Book of this debt. From 1225 to 1743, committees of governors were appointed from time to time to adjust the accounts between the chamber and the hospital, but no report appears to have been made by any of those committees. The accounts of the hospital, as we have already stated, are wanting from 1688 to 1719, and the only payment which we find to have been made by the chamber to the hospital after that time is a sum of 150*l.* which we have already mentioned to have been received from the receiver-general of the chamber in 1735, and which appears to us to have been probably paid on account of an arrear of interest on Walker's and Dowrich's money. No bond from the chamber is to be found amongst the papers of the hospital, and it may be doubted whether any such bond was actually given in pursuance of the above-mentioned order of 1694, as we can find no notice taken of the receipt of such bond in the Act Book, as had been usual in previous instances. We are informed that the accounts of the chamber, during the period for which the hospital accounts are deficient, are not to be found, and no document has been produced to us on the part of the chamber tending to show the payment of either principal or interest of the above-mentioned sum of 1,300*l.* Sums may possibly have been advanced by the chamber on account of interest between 1692 and 1720, but we are strongly inclined to think that no payment of the principal has ever taken place, and this conjecture is in some degree strengthened by finding, that in the case of another charity, the Blue Maids' hospital, a statement of an account of sums due for principal and interest from the chamber in a similar manner to that charity, which was drawn up in 1764, commences in 1701, no adjustment of those accounts having taken place in the intervening period. It appears to us to be a question proper, amongst other points in this case, for the decision of a court of equity, whether the chamber of Exeter are, under the circumstances above stated, after a lapse of so many years, to be considered liable to the payment of the above-mentioned debt.

The present establishment of the hospital consists of—1st, A grammar-school; and, 2dly, An English school for boys, called the Blue School. At the time of granting the letters patent of Charles I. before-mentioned, it seems to have been intended, that a part of the building should be allotted for the habitation of aged or impotent poor persons of the city and county of Exeter, but that intention was never carried into effect. Divine service is performed twice on Sundays, in the chapel of the hospital, generally by the master of the grammar school, but occasionally by one of the chaplains to the mayor, at which the boys of both the schools attend. Seats are reserved for the mayor and chamber; and the master has the privilege of letting the other seats, which produce about 17*l.* or 18*l.* a year. This is the only remuneration which he receives for the duty performed by him at the chapel, unless he happens to be one of the mayor's chaplains, who are annually appointed.

*Grammar School.*—A free grammar school was established by the citizens of Exeter, a few years before the date of the charter of Charles I., and in 1633, certain statutes and ordinances were made by the mayor and common council of this city for the government of it.

The first appointment of a master does not appear. The earliest that is found in the Act Book is in 1648, when a master was elected by the governors of the hospital, who was to receive an annual pension of 30*l.* and to have the occupation of a house, and part of the garden behind the hospital; in respect of which he was to instruct freely all such scholars as should be admitted into the school, being the sons of any freeman, citizen or inhabitant within the city or county of Exeter; and he was to exercise his place during such time and upon such condition as the two preceding masters had held the same. Subsequent appointments in the Act Book are to the same effect. In 1664, the salary was raised to 40*l.* Upon the election of a master in 1713, it was ordered, that the president for the time being, in conjunction with any two governors, might sign an order for the admission of any poor boy to the free grammar school. In 1743, it was made a condition that the master should keep an usher. In 1776, and the following year, a new house for the master was built; on the completion of which his salary was reduced to 20*l.* On the election of a master in 1793, it was resolved, that the master should be obliged to perform duty in the chapel (which had been repaired in 1785) on Sundays, in such manner as was then done. In 1809, immediately before the election of the late master, it was resolved by the governors, that the person to be elected master was not to charge day scholars more than six guineas each per annum, without the consent of the trustees. In 1811, the salary was again raised from 20*l.* to 40*l.* The circumstances under which the late master of the grammar school ceased to hold that office in 1818, have been the subject of much public discussion, but it has not appeared to us to be a part of our duty to enter into an investigation of them. In January 1819, the present master was elected, and was, upon his election, required to subscribe to certain rules and regulations then made by the governors; amongst which it is provided, that a copy of the ordinances made in 1633, should be delivered to the master, and that he should be expected to observe them, as far as was consistent with the alteration of times; that the master should neither ask nor receive more than six guineas per annum for any day boy; that the master should pay equal attention to the instruction of all his scholars; that the head usher should be a clergyman of the Established Church, and the under usher a graduate of one of the universities, and that both should be approved of by the governors; and that service should be performed in the chapel on Sundays, in the manner above stated.

By the above-mentioned ordinances of 1633, which were antecedent to the letters patent of Charles I. every child of a freeman of Exeter was to pay 6*d.*; every child of an inhabitant of the city, not free, 1*s.*; and every child of a stranger, 2*s.* upon their respective admissions to the school, and the master was not to demand or take any thing by contract for teaching the children or grandchildren of any freeman, nor of any such benefactor to the school, as the mayor and common council should think fit to be exempted. And by the letters patent, a controlling power was given to the governors as to the number of scholars to be admitted into the school. At present only the sons of freemen of the city of Exeter are considered to be entitled to a free education, and it is necessary that they should be appointed by the governors. The free scholars receive a classical education in common with the other boys, but very few applications have been made of late years for the admission of such scholars.

scholars. At the time of our inquiry, there were only two in the school. The sons of all inhabitants of the city or county of Exeter are entitled to be admitted into the school as day boys, at a moderate expense, the master being restricted from charging or receiving more for their instruction than six guineas per annum. At the time of our inquiry, the number of day boys was about sixty. The master is allowed to take boarders, and it was probably with the intention of enabling him to accommodate a larger number of them, that a new house adjoining the hospital was built in 1776 and 1777. It is remarkable, that no previous resolution or minute respecting its erection is found in the Act Book of the hospital; but from the minutes of the chamber, it appears, that on 15th June 1776, it was unanimously resolved, that a new house should be built for the master of the free grammar school; and that on 25th of the same month, a committee was empowered to contract with Messrs. Stowey and Jones for building a house and play place, at an expense not exceeding 1,300*l.* The total expense of the building was rather more than 1,700*l.*, of which two sums, one of 325*l.* and another of 225*l.*, paid to the builders on account in 1776, are charged in the account of the receiver-general of the chamber, and the residue is charged in the accounts of the hospital for the years 1776, 1777 and 1778. The hospital and lands adjoining, originally granted by Joan and Francis Crossing, are stated to have been within the city wall, and bounded by it. The land on which the master's house, &c. was built is without the wall, and in 1775, some houses were standing upon it, which were held of the chamber of Exeter, upon leases for 99 years, determinable on lives. In order to obtain the possession of this land, the sum of 287*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.* was paid to the tenant of the principal house, and an annuity of 4*s.* a week was paid to another tenant (a widow) during her life, to the amount of 23*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* These sums were also charged in the account of the receiver-general of the chamber. It is now contended on the part of the chamber that these sums, as well as the two before-mentioned sums of 325*l.* and 225*l.*, were improperly charged to the account of the receiver general, that office and the stewardship of St. John's hospital being then held by the same person. A claim is also made by the chamber against the hospital of 64*l.* 4*s.* for twenty-four years' conveyance rent, at 2*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* a year (being the amount supposed to have been paid by the lessees of the old houses,) from 1775 to 1798 inclusive, and 550*l.* for twenty-two years' ground rent, from 1798 to 1820, at 25*l.* a year. The rent of 2*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* is stated to be claimed to 1798, because an account, which appears to have been made out in 1799, is found, in which the rent is charged at that rate; but it is not known at what time the persons died on whose lives the former leases were held. No conveyance was made of the site of the master's house and premises from the chamber to the hospital till 1820, when a lease of them was granted from the former to the latter for the term of 100 years, from Michaelmas 1818, at the rent of 25*l.* which is stated to be at this time a low rent for land to be granted on a building lease in that situation; and no minute appears in the Act Book of any rent being to be paid for these premises till 1819, when the governors agreed to accept the above-mentioned lease from the chamber. This lease was by mistake so drawn as to comprehend the grammar schoolmaster's garden, which is a part of the original property of the hospital. We were assured that this error should be set right.

We conceive that all the above-mentioned claims ought, before they are allowed to the chamber, to be sanctioned by the decision of a court of equity. With respect to the sums charged in the accounts of the chamber, as paid towards the building of the house, and for the purchase of the former leasehold interests, if they were entered there merely by mistake, it might have been expected that upon the audit of accounts the error would have been rectified. But there are other points deserving of attention. The only property now belonging to the hospital, which appears to have been peculiarly appropriated by the donor to the support of the grammar school, is that which was given by Dr. Vilvayne in Paris-street, the income arising from which is very small; and although the governors may be considered as having a power of disposing of the income of those donations, which were given for the general purposes of the hospital, to either branch of the charity, so large an expense as was incurred by the hospital in the original erection, and as must necessarily be entailed upon it by the subsequent repairs of the master's house, could not but affect the funds applicable to the Blue School, which seems to have been the principal object of most of the benefactors to the hospital. It is also to be observed, that a habitation for the master within the hospital, which he appears to have previously had, would have enabled him to attend to the original object of the foundation of the grammar school, viz. the instruction of poor children of the city and county of Exeter. But the addition made by the introduction of boarders to the provision for the master, and to the general respectability of the establishment, must have been advantageous to the city of Exeter.

If these considerations occurred to the members of the chamber at the time when the master's house was built, it seems not improbable, that the above-mentioned advances of money might have been made by them from the corporation funds for the benefit of the city, without any view of being repaid by themselves in their character of governors of the hospital; but if it was intended that the whole charge should be defrayed by the hospital, we cannot but think it an improvident expenditure. In 1811, an addition of a dining-hall was made by the then master to his house, to the expense of which 60*l.* was contributed by the governors from the funds of the hospital. In 1779, shortly after the house was built, the payment of the rent of 26*l.* a year, mentioned in a previous part of the Report, commenced from the chamber to the hospital in respect of the parts of the hospital used for the cloth fairs. If it had been then intended that a ground-rent should be paid for the site of the hospital, some arrangement would probably have been made respecting it at that time, and as no demand of rent was made till 1819, we conceive that doubts may be entertained, whether the chamber are now entitled to carry back their claim as above stated. It appears from the Act Book, that in 1781, a committee of governors was appointed to settle the accounts between the hospital and the chamber; but we do not find any trace of a report made by that committee. In 1782, another committee was appointed to "treat with the chamber, with respect to the proportion of the present repairs of the hospital which ought to be borne by the chamber." By a previous entry, it appears that alterations and repairs were then in progress in the dormitory, kitchen and other places belonging to the hospital. We cannot ascertain for what part of the repairs it was supposed that the hospital had a claim upon the chamber, but this circumstance tends to show, that the hospital was not considered as being then indebted to the chamber on the building account.

*Blue School.*—The boys in the Blue School were formerly under the care of a master of the hospital, who received an allowance for providing them with food and clothing, and of a writing master, who received

received a salary, and by whom they were instructed. In 1812, these two offices were united. The master is appointed by the governors, and receives from them a salary of 26*l.* a year, and an allowance of 16*l.* a year for each boy in the school, in consideration of which he furnishes the boys with board, lodging, washing, and a complete suit of clothes once in the year. Caps and gowns and bedding for the boys are provided out of the funds of the hospital. The master has an allowance of coals, and other necessities provided by him for the boys are charged to the governors in his casual bills, which have also comprehended the expenses of an entertainment for the governors at their annual meeting on St. Matthew's day, and of refreshments at their other occasional meetings at the hospital, to the amount of 7*l.* or 8*l.* a year. Wine has also been provided for these meetings out of the funds of the hospital, the expense of which for several years past jointly with that of the wine sent to the courts at Broadcliff, is shown by a document in the Appendix (No. 7.) At an hospital meeting on the 18th February 1821, it was resolved by the governors present, in order to lessen the expense, to recommend to the next hospital meeting a resolution, that all future meetings of the trustees should be held in the morning. We find no authority for this part of the expenditure, and think that the discontinuance of it will be advantageous to the charity.

The boys in the Blue School are appointed by the governors from the city and county of Exeter, with the exception of those for whom a specific mode of nomination is pointed out by the donors. The boys are admitted from seven to ten years of age, and allowed to stay till they are 14. They are taught reading, writing and arithmetic; and each of them is entitled to a premium of 6*l.* on being bound apprentice, if a proper master can be found. An increase of this allowance, when the funds of the hospital will admit of it, seems desirable. The number of boys in this school since 1770, has varied from 16 to 26; but there have usually been from 20 to 23. In 1816, 1817 and 1818, the greatest number was 18. At the time of our investigation of this charity there were 21 boys, of whom 11 were admitted on account of Hele's gift, two on Keate's gift, two on Gaudy's gift, and one on Newcombe's gift. The allowance to the master for the board, &c. of each boy, which previously to 1783 had been 7*l.* was raised in that year to 8*l.* 8*s.*; in 1810, to 12*l.* 12*s.*; and in 1814, to 16*l.* its present amount. When the allowance was less than it is at present, it was found necessary, in consequence of its being insufficient to remunerate the master for the expense of maintaining the boys, to give him occasionally an additional compensation. The master has about fifty other day scholars whom he is permitted to take, and who are taught with the Blue Boys. The propriety of continuing two regulations of this school, noticed in the evidence, by one of which, the boys on quitting school are required to give up the clothes which have been furnished to them; and by the other of which, the boys whose friends reside in Exeter, have on four days in the week (being allowed on those days to go home) only two meals provided for them at the hospital, instead of three, are deserving of the attention of the governors. We find in the Act Book resolutions of the governors, for appointing some of their body to be inspectors of the hospital, but these do not appear to have been carried into execution. An active superintendence would be highly advantageous to the establishment.

The annual amount of the rents of the property held under Hele's gift, and contained in Rental (A.) in the Appendix, is 360*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* and that of the rents specified in Rental (B.) of the other property belonging to the hospital, is 299*l.* 9*s.*; but the latter sum does not include either the rent of Duryard-mill tenement, which has been hitherto received by the hospital, but which is now claimed by the chamber, subject to a rent-charge of 30*l.* as has been mentioned in the account of Bidgood's gift, or the annual payment out of the corn-market by the chamber to the hospital, which has been hitherto 14*l.* 8*s.*; and respecting which some observations have been already made in the account of Richard Crossing's gift. The income of the charity is further increased by the sums received occasionally for fines on the renewals of leases held for lives of the hospital lands, not being part of Hele's gift, and for heriots on the lands of Hele's gift. It is also entitled to the surplus of Christopher Lethbridge's gift, and to 50*s.* per annum from John Lethbridge's gift. The uncertainty of the amount of some of the sources of revenue here enumerated, and the doubts which exist with respect to others, render it difficult to state a fair average of the income of this establishment.

Various items of the expenditure have been already alluded to. In addition to which, the following annual payments may be mentioned:—To the town-clerk as deputy-steward, 3*l.*; to the same for attending the courts at Broadcliff, and making out rentals, 4*l.*; to the senior serjeant at mace, for attending the meetings of the governors, 1*l.*; to the clerk of the chapel, 4*l.* 4*s.*; to the sexton, 3*l.*; and to the master of the grammar school, for sacrament wine at the chapel, 1*l.* 1*s.* The three last-mentioned payments are of modern introduction. There are also charges in the accounts for chief rents payable out of some of the hospital lands for rates and taxes for the hospital, for Exe water supplied thereto, insurance, stationery, stamps, advertisements, occasional legal expenses, &c. &c.

The buildings of the hospital are extensive, and parts of them are old. The repairs have always formed a considerable article of the expenditure; but for the last few years, including the repairs of a decayed roof over the grammar-school and library, and of the grammar schoolmaster's house, they have been more than usually heavy. That house appears to have been ill built, and its erection must be considered as having brought a large additional expense upon the funds of the charity. When any considerable repairs to the buildings are required, an estimate is made by a surveyor under the direction of the steward, and laid before the governors, and the orders for repairs are given by them. We are informed that the buildings are now in good repair; and it may therefore be expected, that the average outgoings on this account will for some years be lessened.

A summary (extracted from the accounts) of the expenditure for the last six years, will be found in the Appendix (No. 1.) In addition to the sums mentioned therein as paid for repairs, there were outstanding bills due to the different workmen at Michaelmas 1820, to the amount of more than 700*l.*

One of the governors, usually the gentleman who has served the office of mayor of Exeter the preceding year, is annually, on St. Matthew's day, elected president, and at the same time another of the governors is elected steward of the hospital. It is the steward's duty to receive the rents and keep the accounts, and considerable inconvenience is stated to arise from his being annually elected; the consequence being, that each individual quits the office before he is become acquainted with the affairs of the hospital. The mode of election appears to have been always the same as at present; but by the ordinances of 1638, the appointment of the president only was directed to be annual, and the steward was to continue in office so long as the president and governors should think fit, and it is not there specified that the steward was to be one of the governors. The appointment of a permanent steward might



might make a larger allowance necessary than that which is now paid to the deputy; but we apprehend that this expense would be amply repaid by the advantage of having a responsible officer well acquainted with the concerns of the establishment.

The accounts of the different stewards have not been audited by the governors at regular periods. In 1816 there was an audit of accounts from 1802 to 1808, and in 1817 they were audited from 1808 to 1813. At the commencement of our investigation in December 1820, some of the accounts from 1813, had not been entered in the hospital ledger. But the whole of them have been since completed, and on the 18th February 1821, were audited.

It seems to us very desirable that the accounts should be made up and audited annually, at or within a very short time after Michaelmas.

We find from the accounts, that about the year 1740, the same individual was appointed in four consecutive years, to the offices of steward of St. John's hospital, steward of the Blue Maids' hospital, warden of the poor, and receiver-general of the chamber. From 1757 to 1777 the same person held the offices of steward of the Blue Maids', and warden of the poor, one year, and those of steward of St. John's and receiver-general in the following year. And subsequently all these four offices were united in the same person till the year 1809, when it was resolved, that the office of steward of St. John's hospital should be separated from that of receiver-general. During the time that these offices were united, although the accounts were kept in separate parts of the same book, the balances were carried into a general account between the chamber and the person holding the offices; and the balance of such general account, if in favour of the chamber, was paid over to the person succeeding to these offices; or if in favour of the individual, repaid to him by his successor. But the income of St. John's hospital at that time usually exceeded the annual expenditure thereof; and whenever that was the case, there ought to have been a surplus in its favour, which, by the above stated mode of carrying the balances to a general account with the chamber, was applied to purposes unconnected with this foundation.

Without presuming to give an opinion from what period the account ought to be opened between the chamber and the hospital, we have extracted from the steward's accounts the balances due on either side, from 1770 to 1809, during which period the aggregate amount of the balances in favour of the hospital is,

the hospital is,	£.6,704	5	5½
And the amount of the balances against the hospital, during the same period, is	1,823	11	2½
Leaving a balance in favour of the hospital	£.4,880	13	7½

See the particulars of this account in the Appendix (No. 2.)

This sum includes a balance in favour of the hospital, in 1808, the year before the separation of the above-mentioned offices, to the amount of 3,022 l. 13 s. 8½ d. which arose principally from sums received in that year, for the sale of timber on the manors of Clist St. Lawrence and Clist Gerrard, as has been already mentioned in the account of Hele's gift. The net produce of that sale, after payment of expenses, was 2,531 l. 12 s. 1 d. On the 7th Nov. 1808, upon the report of the president of the hospital, that the late steward had received about 2,000 l. by the said sale of timber, and advanced the same in payment of the debts of the mayor and chamber, with the consent of the trustees, it was resolved by the governors that a bond should be demanded from the chamber for that sum at four per cent. No such bond was granted in pursuance of this resolution, and it is now alleged, on the part of the chamber, that upon lately making out an account between the hospital and the chamber, it appears to them, that at the time of passing that resolution, the latter was not indebted to the former to the amount of 2,000 l. This will however, depend upon the decision of various important points between the charity and the chamber, which we have stated in the course of this Report. If it shall ultimately appear that there was in 1808, debt due to the hospital from the chamber, we conceive that interest ought in fairness to be charged against the latter, from that time to the present, as if a bond had been actually given, the resolution of the governors being in fact to make a demand upon themselves in their other character of members of the chamber.

A claim is made by the chamber of a deduction of 108 l. 9 s. 5½ d. from the above stated amount of the balances, which sum was due from Mr. Jackson, as steward of the hospital in 1805; but, in consequence of his having become bankrupt, was lost.

The union of the offices of steward of this hospital and receiver-general in the same person, has also led to great inaccuracy in entering the fines received for the renewals of leases of the hospital lands in the proper account. On comparing the counterparts of the leases with the hospital accounts, within the period from which we have extracted the above-mentioned balances, we find, that in various years, from 1777 to 1798, there are twelve fines unaccounted for in the latter, amounting in the whole to 548 l. 11 s. For the particulars, see the account in the Appendix (No. 3.)

The chamber also claim a further sum against the hospital of 1,101 l. 5 s. -½ d. as having been, during the period for which we have stated the balances (from 1770 to 1809) incorrectly carried to the account of the receiver-general, instead of that of the hospital. Mr. Thomas Campion, who acts as deputy steward for the town clerk, states, that upon an examination of the bills of workmen, paid by the receiver-general during that time, he finds charges to this amount for repairs done on account of the hospital, mixed with other items for work done for the chamber. The sums thus charged in each year are shown by a document in the Appendix (No. 6.) From the union of the above-mentioned offices, and the mode of carrying the balances to one general account, it is probable that inaccuracies of this kind would occur. Mr. Campion has not, on the other hand, examined the vouchers of the hospital, during the same period, for the purpose of ascertaining whether sums have not been incorrectly paid from the funds of the charity for work done for the chamber; but he does not think it probable that this should be the case, as he conceives the reason of the above-mentioned inaccuracy to be, that the workmen, looking to the same person, though in two capacities, for payment, debited the chamber generally in their bills, it being unimportant to them upon what funds such payment should be charged. In one instance, however, it is admitted, or the part of the chamber, that a sum of 372 l. 2 s. inserted in the hospital accounts for making a common sewer in 1776, about the time when the grammar schoolmaster's house was built, ought to have been charged to the chamber, and not to the hospital. If upon a settlement of accounts between the chamber and the hospital, credit is given to the latter for the general balances in its favour, it seems reasonable that the

last-mentioned claim of the chamber should be inserted on the other side of the account; but in the present unsettled state of the accounts, it has not appeared to us necessary to enter into an examination of the vouchers both of the chamber and the hospital for the above-mentioned period of nearly 40 years, in order to ascertain the correctness of the amount of the sum thus claimed. We will, however, observe, that the account of these claims, in the Appendix, comprehends a sum of 114*l.* paid in 1781, and another sum of 130*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.* paid in 1782; and we have already noticed the appointment of a committee in the latter year, from which it appears that it was considered that a part of the repairs of the hospital then in progress ought to be done by the chamber.

After the separation of the offices of steward and receiver-general, two instances occur, in which sums have been incorrectly paid by the latter officer instead of the former. The first is a sum of 70*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* paid in 1810, for insurance and repairs to the hospital; and the other a sum of 306*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.* paid in 1811, for bills for repairs to the hospital, which had been outstanding for several years.

From 1809, the balance of each steward's account, if in favour of the hospital, has been paid over by him to the person holding that office at the time of making up his account; and if in favour of the steward, has been paid to him by his successor. In one instance, in 1812, we find in the accounts a balance of 56*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.* due to Mr. Hart, the steward of the preceding year, paid to him with interest.

The following summary will show—

1st.—The claims which we conceive that the hospital has against the chamber, from 1770 to 1820, exclusive of those which may arise upon the decision of the various points noticed in former parts of this Report, the amount of which cannot be stated till such decision has taken place. The points to which we principally allude are—

1st. The payments out of the corn market, in respect of Richard Crossing's gift. 2d. The balance of 1,300*l.* which appears to have been due from the chamber in 1693, and for which a bond was then ordered to be demanded. 3d. The sum of 250*l.* part of Walker's and Dowrich's gifts, the last interest upon which was paid by the chamber in 1735. And, 4th. The interest on the sum of 2,000*l.* from 1808; when it was resolved by the governors to demand a bond from the chamber for that sum to the present time. It will be necessary also to ascertain the amount of the occupation rent to be paid by the chamber to the hospital, in respect of the premises, of which a lease was granted by the latter to the former in 1741, from the determination of that lease in 1791, to the present time.

2dly.—The claims which we understand to be made by the chamber upon the hospital for the same period, upon most of which we have made observations in the course of this Report. This account comprehends several sums paid, which appear in the accounts to have been received by the steward from the receiver-general, in the years 1812, 1814, 1816, 1817 and 1818, and for which the chamber are therefore entitled to take credit.

1st. Claims of the hospital upon the chamber:—

Balance of the accounts of the stewards of the hospital, from Michaelmas 1770 to Michaelmas 1809 (see the particulars of this account in the Appendix, No. 2.) - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
Fines which appear by the counterparts of leases to have been paid for renewals from 1770 to 1820, but are not accounted for to the hospital, (see the particulars in the Appendix, No. 3.) - - -	4,880	13	7½
Expense of a new sewer made on the Southernhay, in 1776, when the grammar schoolmaster's house was built, improperly charged to the account of the hospital - - - - -	548	11	-
Rent of the parts of the hospital used for the cloth fairs, from Michaelmas 1811 to Michaelmas 1814, at 26 <i>l.</i> per annum; and from Michaelmas 1814 to Michaelmas 1820, at 18 <i>l.</i> per annum - - -	372	2	-
Surplus of Christopher Lethbridge's charity - - - - -	186	-	-
	765	-	-
	£.	6,752	6 7½

2d. Claims of the chamber upon the hospital:—

Money expended in 1776, in building the new grammar schoolmaster's house charged to the account of the chamber - - -	£.	s.	d.
Paid for the surrender of a lease of houses then standing on the present site of that house - - - - -	550	-	-
Paid an annuity of 4 <i>s.</i> a week for the life of a widow, tenant of one of the houses standing there - - - - -	287	8	1
Twenty-four years' conventional rent for the site of the house, from 1775 to 1798 inclusive, at 2 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per annum, being the amount of the rents previously paid by the lessees of the old houses	23	4	3
Twenty-two years' ground-rent, from 1798 to 1820, at 25 <i>l.</i> per ann.	64	4	-
Balance on the account of rents received for Duryard mill tenement, from 1770 to 1820, (see this account in the Appendix, No. 4.) -	550	-	-
Balance on the account of Sir Edward Seaward's gift, (see this account in the Appendix, No. 5.) - - - - -	1,545	2	1½
Two fines, one of 350 <i>l.</i> and the other of 84 <i>l.</i> received by the stewards of the hospital for the renewals of leases of the premises on which the rent charges arising from Sir Edward Seaward's gift are charged - - - - -	128	2	-
Balance due from Mr. Jackson on his account as steward of the hospital, lost by his becoming bankrupt, after deducting 5 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> which forms a part of the following item of 1,101 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> -½ <i>d.</i> -	434	-	-
Sums stated to be charged by mistake in the chamber accounts, from 1770 to 1809, for repairs, &c. to the hospital and buildings belonging thereto, which the chamber contend ought now to be charged to the account of the hospital, (see the account in the Appendix, No. 6.) - - - - -	193	2	11½
	1,101	5	-½

Amount



Amount of bills paid by Mr. Johnson, as receiver-general, in 1810, repairs to the hospital and insurance, which ought to have been charged to the hospital account	£. s. d.
	70 2 1
Amount of bills paid by Mr. Patch, in 1811, which ought to have been charged to the hospital account	306 2 10
[Note.—This sum is made up of a slater and plaisterer's bill of 22 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i> and a plumber's bill of 85 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i> for several years.]	
Cash accounted for in the accounts of the steward of the hospital as received from the chamber in 1812	204 9 7½
Ditto in 1814	200 - -
Ditto in 1816	100 - -
Ditto in 1817	170 - -
Ditto in 1818	150 - -
	£. 6,077 3 -½

The points that arise in this case between the chamber of Exeter and this hospital are so numerous and important, that it appears to us they cannot be satisfactorily settled without the case being brought under the consideration of a court of equity; and an opportunity will at the same time be offered of making any new regulations as to the conduct of the charity, which the present state of circumstances may render necessary.

#### THE BLUE MAIDS' HOSPITAL, INCLUDING VILVAYNE'S GIFT FOR EXHIBITIONS.

By Indenture, dated the 20th March 1656, between the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, persons trusted together with Alice Hele and John Hele, by Elize Hele, esq. deceased, for the employment (amongst other things) of certain mills, called Bovey Mills, in the parish of Bovey, Devon, to pious and charitable uses, of the one part; and Thomas Ford, esq., mayor of the city of Exon, Thomas Bamfield, esq., recorder of the same city, and four others, of the other part; the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, in performance of the trust in them reposed, granted to the parties of the second part, and their heirs, the said mills, with the appurtenances, called Bovey Mills, in Bovey aforesaid, upon trust, that they should, in due and convenient time, and due and legal license and authority in that behalf being first obtained, convey and assure the said mills, with the appurtenances, by sufficient conveyance in the law, to the governors, or such person or persons as thereafter should be made capable to take such conveyance in the right of a certain hospital intended to be founded and erected within the close of the late cathedral church of St. Peter, in Exon aforesaid, or elsewhere within the said city, by the appointment and direction of the mayor, aldermen and common council of the said city, and to be called "Hele's Hospital," for the maintenance and education of so many poor maiden children as the same would reach unto, after the rate of 10*l.* by the year for each maiden child, to be educated and brought up in the said hospital; and it was declared and agreed, that one in three of all the said maiden children to be placed in the said hospital, when the same should be founded, should be named by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them and his heirs, whether such children should be such whose parents were inhabitants within the city of Exeter, or county of the said city, or elsewhere; and it was declared and agreed, that due and convenient notice should be given in writing to the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them and his heirs, once every year, what children were kept and maintained out of this gift and provision, to the end that they might nominate and appoint from time to time such children as they ought to nominate as aforesaid; and that such child and children by them respectively to be named, should be received, maintained, educated and disposed of, as well and in like manner as the other children there should be; provided, that if the trusts appointed, and more especially in what should concern such child or children as should be named by the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them or his heirs, should be broken and not observed, that then it should be lawful for the said John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them and his heirs, to re-enter into the premises, it being declared and agreed that in such case they might dispose of the premises to such other pious and charitable uses as they, or the survivor of them and his heirs, should appoint.

By the 18th article of the schedule annexed to the deeds of 17th and 18th December 1658, whereby the said John Maynard and Elize Stert conveyed certain lands to trustees for the maintenance of boys in St. John's hospital, it was provided, that 1,500*l.* to be raised out of the fines received on granting leases of those lands, should be employed for the purchase of lands or tenements of inheritance, for the maintenance of poor maiden children in Hele's hospital, in the city of Exon.

We have been unable to ascertain how the above-mentioned sum of 1,500*l.* was laid out, but it is probable that a portion of it formed the consideration mentioned in the following deed; that another part of it was expended in defraying the expense of erecting the buildings; and that the remainder formed part of the balance hereinafter mentioned to have been ascertained in 1703.

By indenture of feoffment, dated 26th March, 13th Charles II., between James Tucker, of the one part; and Christopher Lethbridge, Christopher Clarke, Simon Snow, and Richard Crossing, of the other part; the said James Tucker, in consideration of 350*l.*, granted and enfeoffed to the parties of the second part, and their heirs, a messuage or tenement in the parish of St. Mary Arches, adjoining to St. Mary Arches Lane, and a wall of stone adjoining to the said lane, extending from the said messuage to a wall of a messuage then lately belonging to Robert Chafe, and a courtlage or piece of ground in the south part of the said messuage, containing in length 45 feet, and in breadth 40 feet, more or less; and a garden in the parish of St. Mary Arches and the parish of Saint Paul, adjoining to the east side of the said messuage, containing in length 119 feet, and in breadth 74 feet or thereabouts, and two annual rents of 9*s.* 4*d.* and 4*s.* 3*d.* (except out of the said grant all such parts, purparts and portions of the said premises as belonged to the feoffees of the lands of the parish of Saint Mary Arches, and were by deed dated 25th December 1657, granted by them to James Slade for 99 years, determinable on lives; which said parts, purparts and portions of the said messuage, consisted of divers rooms, parts and parcels of rooms, edifices and buildings, extending themselves in breadth from the outer side of the aforesaid stone wall on the south of the said messuage, to the outer side of the stone wall adjoining to the said garden on the north, 45 feet and a half, and in length, from the outer side of the stone wall adjoining

adjoining to the lands of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in the west eastwards, in and on both sides of the said messuage, 31 feet and 8 inches; and the said feoffees' parts, purparts and portions of the said garden lay between the said messuage on the south part, the lands of John Martin on the west, and the residue of the said garden on the north and east parts, and contained in length 45 feet, and in breadth, at the north end, 26 feet and a half, or thereabouts,) to the use of the said parties of the second part, and their heirs. No trusts are declared of this conveyance.

By indenture, dated 20th February, 14th Charles II., between Robert Walker and five others, of the one part; and the said Simon Snow, Richard Crossing, Christopher Clarke and Christopher Lethbridge, the younger, of the other part; the parties of the first part, in consideration of the yearly rent thereby reserved, granted to the parties of the second part, and their heirs, their part, purpart and portion in the messuage and garden in the last-mentioned deed specified, to hold to them and their heirs for ever, at the yearly rent of 4 *l.* on trust, to convert and employ all the rents and profits of the said premises over and beyond the said yearly rent, for the use and benefit of the hospital lately founded and made, or to be founded and made in the said premises, commonly called the Poor Maids' Hospital, for the relief, support and maintenance of such poor maids as then were, and from time to time thereafter should be, placed therein.

It appears that previously to the above-mentioned deeds, by an indenture, dated 14th June 1637, John Hakewell and three others, feoffees in trust for the maintenance of the parish church of St. Mary Arches, had granted and enfeoffed unto James Tucker the elder, and 12 others, parishioners of Saint Mary Arches, and their heirs, (amongst other things) the premises mentioned in the last abstracted deed, by the description of two-third parts of and in all that messuage or tenement, garden and court-lage thereunto adjoining, on trust, to bestow the issues and profits thereof in the maintenance and repair of the said parish church.

In the year 1818, an information was filed in the Court of Chancery by the attorney-general, at the relation of the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Saint Mary Arches, against the mayor and chamber of the city of Exeter, as trustees of the Poor Maids' Hospital, setting forth the deeds of the 14th June 1637, and of the 20th of February, 14th Charles II., and charging, that the said parties of the second part to the deed of 20th February, 14th Charles II., acted on behalf of the chamber; and that upon the execution of the last-mentioned indenture, the chamber entered into, and they and their successors as such trustees had ever since been and then were, in possession of the said premises, and in receipt of the rents and profits out of which they had from time to time paid the annual rent of 4 *l.* to the trustees of the parish church of Saint Mary Arches, and that they had applied the remainder of the rents and profits of the said premises for the purposes of the said hospital, and the information prayed, that inasmuch as the parties of the first part to the said last-mentioned deed had no authority so to dispose of the said premises as they had done, the said last-mentioned deed should be declared void, and delivered up to be cancelled, and that the chamber should be decreed to convey the said premises to trustees for the purposes mentioned in the deed of 14th June 1637.

To this information the chamber put in their answer on 20th February 1819, and admitted the facts stated in the information to be true; but they submitted to the court, that by the lapse of time which had accrued between the date of the last-mentioned deed and the time of filing the information, the relators ought to be barred from their claim.

In order to avoid the expense of further litigating this question, it has been proposed that a surveyor should be agreed upon by both parties, to ascertain, with reference to the above-mentioned deeds, the dimensions of the land formerly conveyed by the feoffees of the parish, and that upon his report the matters in dispute should be referred to the decision of a barrister. The premises granted by the deed of the 20th February, 14th Charles II., are not accurately known, but they are supposed now to form either a part or the whole of two dwelling-houses and a workshop, separated from the hospital by a passage, having been formerly cellars and lofts; which premises were demised by lease, dated 13th February 1816, from the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, as trustees of the Blue Maids' Hospital, to Thomas Rice, for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the yearly rent of 2 *l.*, and the lease was granted in consideration of a fine of 42 *l.* and the surrender of a former lease, determinable on two lives, at the yearly rent of 19 *s.* 6 *d.* and of a fine of 42 *l.* Mr. Rice has paid 20 *l.* in part of his fine to the steward of the hospital, but has declined paying either the remainder thereof, or any portion of his rent, till this question is decided.

*Vilvayne's Gift.*—The circumstances relating to this gift are fully shown by the following deed, a copy of which is entered in the minute book of this charity.

By Indenture, dated 21st October, 21st Charles II., between Thomas Pengelly, Simon Trobridge and Thomas Broking, executors of Robert Snow, of the one part; and Peter Hagedot, mayor of Exeter, and nine others, of the other part; reciting, that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city of Exeter, by indenture, dated the 11th of October 1660, had demised to Robert Vilvayne, doctor in physic, all that plot or parcel of land or waste ground, with the appurtenances, situate in Exe Island within the county of the said city of Exon, and adjoining to the mill leat of the Bonhay mills there, containing in length, from north to south, 100 feet, or thereabouts, and in breadth, from east to west, 80 feet, or thereabouts, with full liberty to erect and build such house or buildings thereupon as the said Robert Vilvayne should think fit, which buildings were intended by the said Robert Vilvayne for public uses, and which said plot of land or waste ground was part of the manor of Exe Island, to hold the said plot or parcel of land or waste ground from the day of the date of the said recited indenture, for 999 years, without impeachment of waste, under a peppercorn rent; and reciting also, that the said Robert Vilvayne had, at his own costs, erected on the said parcel of land one fair dwelling-house, which he designed for a public brewhouse and malthouse, the benefit and proceeds whereof were intended by him to be for several pious and charitable uses within the said city; and reciting, that the said Robert Vilvayne had before that time made his will, and thereby given divers legacies to Simon Snow, then one of the aldermen of the said city, his nephew, and others; and that he had also given thereby unto the said Simon Snow all the residue of his goods and chattels whatsoever (his debts, legacies and funeral expenses discharged,) and had constituted the said Simon Snow his sole executor to see his said will performed, with such other intentions for charitable and pious uses as the said Robert Vilvayne had privily imparted to him; and that, amongst other things, the said Robert Vilvayne had made known to the said Simon Snow, that his desires were for the erecting of an hospital within the said city, for the education and maintenance of poor maiden children, or contributing thereunto (there being then a messuage in the parish of St. Mary Arches, in the

the said city, provided for that purpose,) and likewise for the yearly payment of 3*l.* for and towards the maintenance of four poor scholars in the University of Oxford, and that the said Robert Vilwayne had left several instructions in writing for the election, government and continuation of the said scholars, as follows:—

1st. "I give, for ever, 3*l.* yearly, to be paid quarterly to four scholars' pensions, viz. 40*s.* a quarter, towards their maintenance in the said university, which shall be paid to the rector and sub-rector of Exeter college 'for the time being, by the mayor and chamber of Exeter, out of my brewhouse and malthouse, built or shortly to be built in the manor of Exe Island, belonging to 'the said city."

2d. "Those four pensioners are to partake of this exhibition who have not of their own, and whose parents are not of ability to maintain them in the university."

3d. "There shall be chosen two out of the High School in Exon and two out of the Free Grammar School; and this order is still to be observed in the hospital, which the master of the schools, when they are to be chosen, shall present with some others that are fittest, sans partiality, to the mayor and recorder of the said city for the time being, who shall be electors after my death, together with the schoolmaster of that school out of which he or they are to be chosen, or any two of them, who shall choose city born children before strangers, *cæteris paribus*, if they be so well qualified for learning, behaviour, toward lives and poverty, without partial respect of persons."

4th. "These shall enjoy this pension seven years, if they so long reside in the university and have no better preferment; but if they take any cure of benefice, or academical fellowship, or other advancement exceeding the sum of 20*l.* per annum, or if they be absent from the university more than two months in each year, not giving a satisfactory reason for such absence to two or one of the electors, that then his or their places and pensions shall be *ipso facto* void, and the electors shall instantly proceed to election for supply of the place or places which shall become void, that no time may be lost."

5th. "If any of those places shall be void, and the school wherein the election is to be made have no scholar at that time qualified to be elected, then the place or places void shall be supplied out of the other school, if it hath any fit or eligible."

6th. "What exhibition shall come to the receiver's hands during such vacancy, the same shall be given to the scholar or scholars who shall be next chosen to succeed."

7th. "It is not the donor's intent to diminish or abolish the present or future bounty of any well-disposed person towards the maintenance of any poor scholars whose parents are unable to maintain their children in either university; but he much desires that people would be so well minded as to advance learning by free contributions."

8th. "If hereafter the two grammar schools in the said city shall be turned into one, then from thenceforth all the said four scholars shall be chosen out of the school remaining, by the mayor, recorder and schoolmaster, or any two of them as aforesaid."

9th. "The pensions shall be paid unto them from quarter to quarter, or a week or fortnight before each quarter, by the rectors or sub-rectors of Exeter college (their battels or commons first deducted); but if it exceeds the said 40*s.* quarterly, they shall battel or common no more till they have discharged or satisfied the overplus, for security and indemnity of the college."

And reciting also, that the said Robert Vilwayne shortly afterwards died, and that the said Simon Snow proved the will, and about the month of April 1666 made his will, and gave to the chamber of Exeter and their successors, for ever, the said brewhouse and malthouse, with the appurtenances, to be by their care and oversight managed for the public good of the said city, and particularly for the payment of the aforesaid pension of 3*l.* per annum to four pensioners, called and to be called Dr. Vilwayne's Pensioners, and to be taken out of the free school next to the east gate of the said city, whereof Mr. Bradford was then schoolmaster; and that he directed that the mayor and justices of the city should for ever appoint, after his death, who should succeed in the place of the said four that should enjoy the benefit of that pension at his death; and that as many as they should think fit and capable of the said pension should (if any such at any time should be there) be taken out of St. John's hospital and afterwards sent to Exeter college, there to be and continue so long and in such manner as the said Dr. Vilwayne in his instructions made in that behalf, did desire as aforesaid; and that the said Simon Snow further directed, that such fees as Mr. Peryam, late alderman of Exeter, did allow to the mayor, recorder and justices, and other officers of the body corporate, should be paid yearly to them for ever, save that the town clerk of the said city should have 5*l.* yearly for the passing of the account on the next quarter day twelvemonth after his death; on which day, or within 40 days after, the same should be paid, and so on the same day, or forty days after, yearly, for ever; which said 5*l.* per annum to the town clerk should be his fee in lieu of what Mr. Peryam allowed him; and that he desired that the said yearly fees, and the charges of sending the four pensioners to Oxford as aforesaid, and of the reparation of the said brewhouse and the said malthouse, and of the procuring of the King's patent for the erecting of the Maids' hospital in St. Mary Arches Lane, in such manner as the said chamber of Exeter should think best (to whose wisdom and care he referred it), and also the reparation of the said Maids' hospital should be paid out of the profits of the said brewhouse and malthouse; and that he further desired, that there should be engraven on a stone over the said brewhouse gate these words, "Dr. Vilwayne's brewhouse and malthouse, erected for the public good of this city;" and that all the rest of the profits of the brewhouse and malthouse should be converted to the use and benefit of the said Maids' hospital, until there should be sufficient and plentiful maintenance raised and settled for forty such poor maids as the said chamber and their successors should place therein, to whose choice and nomination he wholly referred it; and that after such provision for the said forty poor maids was raised, provision should be made for binding out of the said maids apprentices, and for portions of such of them as should marry, with consent and approbation of the said chamber, and their successors, and that none else should enjoy the benefit thereof; and further reciting, that by a memorandum on the aforesaid will, the said Simon Snow further desired, that out of the profits and incomes of the said brewhouse and malthouse, 5*l.* per annum should be for ever paid towards the salary of a schoolmaster or schoolmistress, for the teaching of poor children in St. Sidwell's parish; and that the said Simon Snow made William Attwill and Simon Bayly his executors; and that the said will never took effect, for that the said Simon Snow afterwards, on the 24th January 1667, made another will, and thereby revoked all former wills by him made; and by that his last will, made the aforesaid Robert Snow, his brother, his sole executor, and shortly after died; and that afterwards the said Robert Snow endeavoured, by suit in the Prerogative Court, to make probate

bate of the said last recited will, but died before the determination of the said suit or probate of either of the said wills, but before his death made his will, dated the 11th of June, 20 Charles II. and thereof made the aforesaid Thomas Pengelly, Simon Trobridge and Thomas Broking, his executors; and that the said Robert Snow taking notice of the pious and charitable gifts of the said Simon Snow, mentioned and intended by him in and by the aforesaid will, written with his own hand, but revoked as aforesaid, and being willing that the same might in some sort be performed by his said will, desired his executors to make probate as well as of the said will of his said brother as of his own will, and did therein also declare, touching such gifts, grants and bequests only as his said brother did, with his own hand-writing in his first will so made void as aforesaid, give, devise and bequeath for pious and charitable uses, that his will was, that all and every such pious and charitable devise and bequest only should stand firm and for ever remain and continue to the intents and purposes in such manner and form as his said brother by his said first will did express, to which for more certainty he referred them; and further reciting, that the said Robert Snow shortly after died, and that the said Thomas Pengelly, Simon Trobridge and Thomas Broking (the parties of the first part) proved the will of the said Robert Snow, and also obtained letters of administration of the goods and chattels of the said Simon Snow, with his said last will (whereby the said Robert Snow was made executor) annexed, by virtue whereof they became possessed of the said brewhouse and malthouse, in trust, for the charitable uses thereinbefore expressed, for the residue of the term of 999 years; therefore the parties of the first part, as well in execution and discharge of the trusts in them reposed, as in consideration of the due performance of the pious and charitable gifts and intentions of the aforesaid Robert Vilwayne and Simon Snow, granted and assigned unto the said parties of the second part the said brewhouse and malthouse, with the appurtenances, and all the goods, chattels and utensils then being in the said brewhouse or malthouse, or belonging thereunto, which did any ways belong to the said Robert Vilwayne or Simon Snow, to hold the same brewhouse and malthouse, with the appurtenances, from thenceforth for the residue of the said term of 999 years, and to hold the said goods and chattels for ever, on trust, to permit and suffer the mayor and 24 of the common council of the said city for the time being, and their successors, to receive and take the rents and profits of the said brewhouse and malthouse with the appurtenances, and to employ the same to and for the pious and charitable uses and intents of the aforesaid Robert Vilwayne and Simon Snow; and it was agreed, that when the aforesaid assignees should be all dead, except two or three of them, the survivors should assign the said premises to ten other persons, to be then named by the mayor and common council of the said city for the time being, for the residue of the aforesaid term of 999 years, upon the same trusts; but no person exercising the trade of brewing, or partner therein, to be any assignee therein; and the like course to be had from time to time during the continuance of the aforesaid term.

*Mayne's Gift.*—It is stated in Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions, that John Mayne, sometime one of the number of the common council of Exon, freely gave in his life time to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exon, 100*l.* for and towards the better support and maintenance of the Maids' intended hospital.

*Keate's Gift.*—By Indenture, dated 12th August 1656, already mentioned in the account of St. John's hospital, Gilbert Keate gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, 400*l.* towards the maintenance of four poor children, that is to say, two boys and two maids, from time to time to be taken out of the parish of St. Mary the More, within the said city, it being the place of his birth and baptism, which said two maids were to be received into the intended hospital for maids within the said city, where they were to be educated, and from thence bound out as apprentices; and it was also directed, that the said children should wear on the sleeves of their hospital gowns the letters G. K.

*Ducke's Gift.*—Richard Ducke, by will, dated 21st July 1656, reciting, that his wife had given to the hospital for girls in Exon the sum of 50*l.*; directed and appointed, that the like sum should be paid after his decease unto the said hospital, as was paid to it by him after the death of his said wife.

*John Lethbridge's Gift.*—It will be seen on reference to our statement of the gifts of John Lethbridge, in the present Report, that he by will, dated 3d of February 1701, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 2d of June 1702, gave, *inter alia*, to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, and their successors, 50*l.* for the only use of the Maids' Hospital in the said city, to be employed, that there might be 50*s.* yearly paid for the better maintenance of the poor maids there for ever.

We cannot discover that the chamber of Exeter have ever applied this annuity towards the maintenance of the Poor Maids' hospital. We apprehend, that if they received this legacy, which we see no reason to doubt, particularly as they now pay two annuities in respect of other money bequeathed to them by the will of John Lethbridge, they ought still to pay this sum of 50*s.* per annum. A question also may arise as to the extent of their liability for the arrears of this annuity.

*Other Gifts.*—Benjamin Gilbert, whose benefaction of 50*l.* to the Blue School is mentioned in that part of our Report which relates to St. John's hospital, gave a like sum for the maintenance of the Blue Maids' hospital.

It is stated in Izacke's printed Register of the Charities of Exeter, that Edmond Prideaux gave 100*l.* towards the promoting and advancing of Hele's hospital, but the date of this gift is not mentioned.

In the account of 1803, the sum of 20*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.* is stated to have been received as the legacy of Mrs. Leach to this hospital, and that of 100*l.* as the legacy of Mrs. Foster.

Hele's, or as it is usually called, the Blue Maids' hospital, is situate in St. Mary Arches Lane, in Exeter, and is under the government of the chamber of this city. One of the members of this body is annually elected to the office of president, and another of them to that of steward of this hospital.

The latter receives the rents, and makes the necessary payments.

The offices of steward of this hospital and steward of St. John's hospital were formerly, as has been already mentioned, held jointly with that of the receiver-general of the chamber; but in 1809 they were separated from it, and in 1819 the stewardship of the Blue Maids' was separated from that of St. John's.

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This hospital is calculated for the reception of a much larger number of girls than have of late years been admitted into it. The greater part of it is in the occupation of the schoolmistress, who is allowed to take lodgers, so as not to interfere with the accommodation for the children. She is also in the occupation of a part of the garden, and lets the remainder of it for her own benefit. A part of the house was formerly let to the trustees of the episcopal schools, and is now let to the trustees of the charity school of St. Mary Arches parish, as tenants from year to year, at an annual rent of 10*l*. A large cellar attached to the premises is in the occupation of John Luke, at the rent of 5*l*. per annum. These rents, together with those of the before-mentioned premises, under lease to Thomas Rice, when received, are carried to the account of the hospital.

The dwelling-house of the hospital is in want of some general repairs, and the offices are in a dilapidated state. It does not appear that the two annual rent-charges of 9*s*. 4*d*. and 4*s*. 3*d*. conveyed by the deed of 26th March, 13th Charles II. have been received for the use of the hospital.

The property called Bovey Mills, given by Elize Hele, esq. as the original endowment of the hospital, was granted by lease, dated 13th May 1801, from Joseph Elliott, Edward Walker and John Dennis, described as aldermen of the city of Exeter, and feoffees of the premises thereby granted, in trust, for the governors of Hele's hospital, to Joseph Steer, for 99 years, determinable on three lives, in consideration of a fine of 292*l*., and the annual rent of 10*l*. The premises are described in the lease as a messuage and tenement, and set of customary mills, consisting of four grist mills, together with a dwelling-house, garden, stable and out-houses. The same deed also contains a demise of two closes, containing eight acres, for a term of 23 years, at the rent of 12*l*. per annum. These two closes are held by the trustees of the hospital, under a lease from Robert Clapp, for 50 years, from Michaelmas 1774, at the same rent of 12*l*., the landlord paying church and poor-rates. These closes lie near the mills, and are convenient for their occupation. At the time when this lease of the mills for years determinable on lives was granted, they were in good repair, and were under lease to G. F. Tuffnell for 21 years, from 25th December 1792, at a rent of 40*l*. clear of all outgoing, with a covenant to keep in repair on the part of the lessee. We have not been informed why the last-mentioned lease, of which 11 years were unexpired, was surrendered, and a new one granted, upon terms comparatively disadvantageous. It does not appear that Mr. Steer was related to any member of the chamber of Exeter. The application for the new lease is stated to have come from him; he was a manufacturer of serges, and we are informed that it might have been an important object for him to obtain a more permanent interest in the water for the purposes of his trade. Mr. Worthy, deceased, who was a member of the chamber, and one of the committee appointed to let the mills, was a fuller; but we have not ascertained that any connexion in business subsisted between him and Mr. Steer. In 1658, these mills were granted to John Stowell, esq. for 1,000 years, at the yearly rent of 50*l*. with a proviso, that if he should within 20 years convey to the trustees lands within the city of Exeter, or 20 miles thereof, of the clear yearly value of 50*l*., they should grant to him the said mills and premises in fee. In 1736, this lease was assigned to the chamber by the holder of it, in satisfaction of the arrears of rent then due, and possession of the premises was delivered up. From 1745 to 1755, they were let at 68*l*. per annum, subject to large deductions for rates, taxes and repairs. In 1764, they produced a clear rent of 38*l*. per annum, and the same rent in 1772. In 1773, they were rebuilt. From that period till the lease to Mr. Tuffnell they were in the hands of several tenants, at various rents, in obtaining which the chamber frequently experienced difficulties.

A chief rent of 3*l*. 18*s*. 10*d*. is payable out of these mills to William Morehead, esq. which always appears to have been paid by the steward of the hospital, and not by the lessee. At the time of our inquiry in February 1821, there was an arrear of 20*l*. due from the tenant. Mr. John Powning, a surveyor, has lately inspected these premises, and describes them as being in a complete state of repair, with the exception of a part of the slating and thatch of the roofs, and the east end wall of the mill, which the tenant has undertaken to put in order in the course of the present summer. Mr. Powning estimates the present annual value of the property at 30*l*. We have seen no deeds for continuing the trusts of Bovey mills from time to time. Alderman John Dennis, who was a party to the existing lease of these mills, and is described as one of the feoffees thereof, survived his co-lessors.

The premises in Exe Island, the gift of Dr. Vilvayne, which were formerly a brewhouse and malt-house, were granted by lease, dated 15th December 1801, from the chamber of Exeter to John Foot, for 99 years, determinable on three lives, in consideration of a fine of 262*l*. 10*s*. and a clear annual rent of 15*l*. 15*s*. They are described in the lease as a messuage and tenement, consisting of two dwelling-houses, drying-house, press-shops, packing-chambers, and other conveniences for the fulling business. It does not appear that these premises had been before let for years determinable on lives. We find them in 1672 let to Edward Hill, a brewer, for 14 years, at the rent of 110*l*. per annum. In the years 1764 and 1765, their value appears to have been much reduced, as they produced the annual rent of only 32*l*. 10*s*. In 1776 they were let at 50*l*. per annum, the landlord paying all outgoing; and in 1786, they were granted to John Foot for seven years, on the same terms.

It appears to have been the intention of Dr. Vilvayne, that the business of a public brewhouse should have been carried on in these premises, and that the profits of the trade should have been applied towards the charitable objects he had in view. They certainly have not, however, been used for these purposes for the last 50 years, and we cannot discover that they have been so occupied for a century past; nor do we think it probable that a brewery, under the system of management contemplated by the donor, would at the present time prove a profitable trade. In 1766, indeed, the premises were in the hands of the assignees of Densham, Madden & Co. who had carried on the business of brewers in Exe Island, in the premises now called the City Brewery, and had failed; but they were held by them for one year only, and it is supposed that they were taken solely with the view of enabling the assignees during that year to remove the stock of the bankrupts, for which purpose they afforded great facilities.

These buildings are substantial, and in tenantable repair. When the woollen trade of Exeter was in a more flourishing state, they were well adapted for carrying on an extensive business in that line, but from the decrease of that branch of manufacture they are much reduced in value since the last lease was granted. They are estimated by a surveyor to be worth the clear annual rent of 29*l*.

The various sums of money given or bequeathed for the support of this hospital by Keate, Mayne and Ducke, came into the hands of the chamber at an early period. On the 11th of September 1703, an account was taken between the chamber and the hospital, when a balance of 1,227*l*. 17*s*. 8*d*., was ascertained to have been due from the former at Michaelmas 1701. Among the items which

compose this balance, are bonds from the chamber to the amount of 1,000 *l.* given as securities for money borrowed of the hospital, including the pecuniary gifts above-mentioned. No account appears to have been stated between the chamber and the hospital, from that time till 1764. On the 4th of February in that year a settlement took place from Michaelmas 1701 to Michaelmas 1760, when there was found due from the former the sum of 1,362 *l.* 6 *s.* 2½ *d.* including 97 *l.* 17 *s.* 2 *d.* which was due from the receiver of Vilwayne's charity, and had been retained by him in discharge of a debt due from the chamber to him. It was at the same time resolved, that the chamber should in future pay interest, after the rate of four per cent. on the money due (amounting to 54 *l.* 9 *s.* 9 *d.* per annum) to the steward of the hospital, to be employed in its support.

Whilst the office of steward of this hospital remained united with that of the receiver-general of the chamber, the accounts were kept in the manner that has been already mentioned in the statement of St. John's hospital, the balances of the different accounts being blended together, and the person who held the offices accounting to his successor for the general balance only. In 1780 another settlement of accounts between this hospital and the chamber took place; upon which it appeared, that from the time of striking the last balance, the payments on account of the hospital had exceeded the receipts, including the sums payable from the chamber for interest, and the balance due from the chamber was thus at that time reduced to 871 *l.* 4 *s.* - ¾ *d.* This excess of the payments arose principally from a considerable sum expended upon Bovey mills in 1774. From 1809, when the separation of the before-mentioned offices took place, the balances have been carried on in the accounts of the succeeding stewards. No account was again taken till 1819, when after giving credit to the hospital for the interest payable on 871 *l.* at four per cent. and to the chamber for a sum of 169 *l.* 16 *s.* 9 *d.* paid by them on account of their debt in 1817, and to each of these parties for the balances due on either side in each year, from 1780 to 1809, there appeared to be due to the hospital to Michaelmas 1819 the sum of 1,712 *l.* 19 *s.* 3 *d.* It appears from the steward's accounts, from Michaelmas 1819 to Michaelmas 1820, that he received from the chamber 68 *l.* as interest on 1,700 *l.* at four per cent. and that he also received other sums, amounting to 75 *l.* 19 *s.* 9 *d.* which ought to be taken in reduction of the debt; so that at the time of our inquiry, in February 1821, the whole sum due from the chamber to the hospital amounted to 1,636 *l.* 19 *s.* 6 *d.*

We have reason to believe, from occasional notices in the minute book of the hospital, that Dr. Vilwayne's exhibitioners were, for several years after the establishment of the charity, regularly appointed and paid. No mention, however, of any election of them occurs from 1694 till very lately. Whether any appointments were made or not during the interval, we cannot say. The management of Vilwayne's charity appears to have been formerly intrusted to some member of the chamber, who was not steward of the hospital; but in 1764 it was resolved, that for the future it should be committed to the steward of the hospital; and that the revenue should be applied, in the first place, to the payment of the pensioners at Exeter college (if any such should be nominated by the mayor and justices of the city), and afterwards to the carrying on the charitable uses of the hospital. We have before stated, that a balance of 97 *l.* 16 *s.* 2 *d.* was accounted for by the receiver of Vilwayne's charity in 1764; but we have not been able to find any regular accounts, either of the hospital or this charity, antecedent to that period.

Three exhibitioners, two of whom are the sons of clergymen, and the third of a captain in the navy, have, since 1819, been appointed by the mayor and justices, with the assistance of the master of the free grammar school in St. John's hospital. They were selected from that school, and went to Exeter college, Oxford.

The High School, which was an ancient establishment, but which is not known to have had any regular endowment, is supposed to have been united with the free grammar school, but has certainly not existed distinct from it for many years.

The number of poor girls maintained in the hospital has varied from time to time. In 1672 twelve were admitted, of whom two were taken from the parish of St. Mary the More, in respect of Gilbert Keate's gift. In 1686, their number amounted to eight. In 1764, there were ten. In 1769, the number was increased to thirteen; and in 1772, to fifteen. From 1773 to 1782, the number usually amounted to nine or ten. From 1782 to 1810, it never exceeded six, and was sometimes as low as four. From 1810 to 1814, there were only three. In the last mentioned year the number was reduced to two, and so continued till 1818, when it was augmented to seven, which number remained in the hospital at the time of our inquiry.

In 1672 it was ordered that the schoolmistress should receive a salary of 20 *l.* per annum, and 6 *l.* yearly for the maintenance of every child. The salary was subsequently reduced to 10 *l.*; and in 1800, the allowance for the support of each child was increased to 8 *l.* Before this necessary increase, a gratuity had been occasionally made to the schoolmistress, on account of the high price of provisions. It is in consequence of the permission which is granted to her of taking lodgers, and of letting a part of the garden, and some profits which she derives from the children's work, that she is enabled to maintain the girls on such moderate terms. For the sum of 8 *l.* per annum she engages to provide board, washing, shoes and stockings for each child; bedding, and other articles for clothing, are provided from the funds of the charity: these are not furnished annually, but upon the application of the schoolmistress when thought necessary.

The girls are appointed by the chamber, generally out of the city of Exeter; and two have lately been selected from the parish of St. Mary the More, in respect of Gilbert Keate's gift, which had been omitted for many years. The girls are admitted into the hospital at the age of seven, and stay either till they attain fourteen years, or find places as servants or apprentices.

They are taught reading, the catechism, and such other matters as may qualify them for service. A premium of 4 *l.* is allowed to such as can procure situations as apprentices; but no girl appears to have been bound out since 1811. It is the duty of the steward to visit the hospital; and a meeting of the chamber is called at the hospital, when occasion requires it. No appointment of girls is now made by the heirs of Sir John Maynard, nor is any account rendered to them annually, as directed by his deed. In addition to the salary of the schoolmistress, and the expenses of repairs, and of maintaining and clothing the children, the sum of 1 *l.* 10 *s.* is annually paid for supplying the hospital with water, and 1 *l.* to the serjeant at mace for attending on committees. The insurance amounts to 18 *s.* per annum. Money is also paid for taxes, and poor and church rates are paid to the parish of



St. Mary Arches. Medical assistance is also provided for the children. At the time of our inquiry there were outstanding bills for repairs to the amount of 100*l*.

The annuity of 5*l*. is not paid to a schoolmaster or mistress of St Sidwell's, in respect of Vilwayne's tenement, nor are any fees paid to the officers of the corporation and the town clerk.

We think it incumbent upon us to recommend, that the balance of 1,636*l*. 19*s*., now owing from the chamber, after payment of the outstanding bills for repairs, should be forthwith invested in Government securities; and it appears to us that the annual interest arising from such investment, and from the rents of the property above set forth, should be applied in the payment of four exhibitions of 8*l*. per annum each, according to the intentions of Dr. Vilwayne, and that the remainder of the income should be bestowed in the support of the hospital, and the maintenance and education of as many children as it may be sufficient to provide for.

In February 1821, the accounts were audited, for several years, to Michaelmas 1820. On the last year's account there was a balance due from the steward, and paid by him, of 10*l*. 5*s*. 11*d*. It is very desirable that a time should be appointed for an annual audit of the steward's accounts, and strictly adhered to.

#### CHARITIES UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE WARDEN OF THE POOR.

ONE of the members of the chamber of Exeter is annually elected to the office of warden of the poor. We are not enabled to state at what period this office was first instituted, but there are traces of its existence in the early part of the seventeenth century.

The following charities have for a great number of years been under the management of this officer; and the receipts and payments, in respect of them, have been carried to one united account. Previously to the year 1809, this office was held jointly with that of the receiver-general of the chamber; and the annual balances, as has been already mentioned in the case of the steward of St. John's hospital, carried to a general account. Mr. Edward Upham, a member of the chamber, has for the last few years been re-elected to this office; but the business of it has been principally transacted by Mr. Campion, the assistant town clerk.

It appears to us, that it is very desirable that separate accounts should in future be kept of these charities, so far as they are applicable to distinct purposes; and with that view, we propose, first, to state separately the particulars of the gifts relating to each almshouse, or other charitable object, of which the management has been hitherto intrusted to the warden of the poor; and, secondly, to show the state of the accounts between the chamber and these charities. Upon an examination which has lately taken place of the ancient documents in the Guildhall at Exeter, various deeds have been found relating to these charities, the most important of which are hereinafter noticed. Two old rentals of the property under the care of the warden of the poor, one dated in 1704 and the other in 1738, have also been produced to us, and have assisted us in identifying the lands, &c., given by the different donors. Some accounts of the warden of the poor are extant, between the years 1730 and 1740; and from 1764 to the present time they are complete.

**THE TEN CELLS.—Grendon's Gift.**—It is stated in Izacke's MS. Catalogue of Benefactions to the city of Exeter, that Simon Grendon, who was thrice mayor of this city, for the better relief and succour of the poor thereof, founded and built an almshouse in Preston-street, in Exeter, for 10 poor women to dwell therein, calling it "The Ten Cells;" whereunto he gave certain lands in the parish of St. Sidwell, called Culverlands, as appeared by his deed, dated in the 8th Henry IV., 1406, the government of which said house, and the nomination of the poor people to the same, he committed to the mayor and commonalty of this city. This deed has not been found amongst the documents of the chamber.

**Heyth's Gift.**—Alice Heyth, widow, by deed, dated 18th May, 2d and 3d Philip and Mary, 1556, granted to William Hole and William Cosen, and their heirs, all her messuages, lands, tenements, rents and services in East Teignmouth and West Teignmouth, in the county of Devon, for certain uses, in a schedule to the said deed annexed specified.

By the schedule annexed to the said deed, the said Alice Heyth declared her intent to be, that the said trustees should yearly distribute, at some times in the year, the issues and profits of all the said lands after her decease, amongst all the poor people which should be in the almshouses, in the street called Preston-street, by Belliter-lane, in the city of Exeter, 6*s*. 8*d*. being deducted by the said trustees for their pains, with all charges that they should sustain for the defence of the said lands.

By indenture, dated 20th February, 4th Elizabeth, Richard Hole, son and heir of the said William Hole, who survived the said William Cosen, in accomplishment of the intention of the donor, granted the aforesaid premises to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, and their successors.

**William Buckenham's Gift.**—William Buckenham, of the city of Exeter, by his will, bearing date 7th November 1563, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, directed that his executors should bestow 100 marks in land, and should enfeof the same lands to the use of the poor within the said city of Exeter for ever.

By indenture of feoffment, bearing date the 6th of March 1566, Philip Chichester, one of the executors of the said William Buckenham, in performance of his said will, granted to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, a moiety of a messuage or inn, called The Bear, situate in Southgate-street, in the said city of Exeter, to the intent that they should pay and distribute the rents and profits of the said moiety for the maintenance of the poor persons for the time being, in certain houses in the said city, called The Twelve Cells, near Belliter's gate.

**Hensley's Gift.**—David Hensley, clerk, rector of the parish of Kenn, Devon, by deed, dated the 8 h of October, 8th Elizabeth, 1566, granted to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, and their successors, an annual rent-charge of 20s., issuing out of his messuages, lands and tenements in Kenn, called "The Lampe Lands," to the use of the poor persons for the time being in the almshouse called "The Ten Cells, or Grendon's Almshouses," in the said city of Exeter; that is to say, to each of them 2s., by the year, to be paid quarterly.

A memorandum is indorsed on the last-mentioned deed, that it was the request of the donor to the mayor and bailiffs, as occasion should serve or avoidance be, to place in one of the said poor almshouses some poor woman of the parish of Kenn for the time being; but it does not appear that this request has ever been complied with.

This almshouse is also entitled to a portion of the following gifts :—

**Herne's Gift.**—By Indenture, bearing date 10th April 1562, between William Herne, parson of the parish church of St. Petrock, in the county of the city of Exeter, of the first part; the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of Exeter, of the second part; and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, of the third part; reciting, that the said William Herne, being moved with charity, intended to succour and relieve such poor, impotent and needy persons as then were, or thereafter should be abiding within the county and city of Exeter, with some part of his goods whereof he was then possessed; and that he had of long time seen with what care, solicitude and provident circumspection, the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty provided for the comfort and relief of the poor persons in the said city; and that the poor persons had been, by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, much relieved and comforted, to the no little rejoicing of all faithful and christian people; and that therefore the said William Herne, having a special trust and confidence in the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, that they at any time thereafter would not desist from so good a purpose, had paid and delivered, at the sealing of that indenture, unto the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, 168*l.* 5*s.*; the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty acknowledged to have received the said sum, and in consideration thereof, covenanted for themselves and their successors, with the said William Herne, and also with the said dean and chapter, that they would thereafter for ever, weekly, as well distribute and pay to 13 such poor needy persons as then were or thereafter should be admitted to be of the company of the poor almshouses of St. Catherine's, in the said city, 13*d.*; viz. to each one penny per week; as also 12*d.* weekly to twelve poor needy persons; viz. to ten such poor needy persons as should happen to be admitted into the poor-houses, called "Grendon's Almshouses," and to two such other poor and needy persons as should happen to be admitted in the two poor almshouses set next without the south gate of the said city, upon the ditch there; the same weekly distribution to be made by two such discreet and able persons as should happen to be appointed gatherers and collectors for the time being of the charitable alms of well-disposed people of the said city, for the relief of the poor therein, or by such others as by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should be thought meet; and they further covenanted, that in default of payment of the said weekly sums for a quarter of a year, it should be lawful for the said dean and chapter to distrain upon two tenements in the parish of St. Petrock therein mentioned, and upon all their other lands in the said city, till the said sums should be paid, together with 6*s.* 8*d.* in the name of a pain, to be distributed to the poor inhabitants within the said county and city for the time being, by the discretion of the said dean and chapter; provided that the said mayor and bailiffs for the time being should yearly, within one month after Michaelmas, repair to the said houses, and examine whether the poor persons appointed to the said several portions kept and observed the prayers and devotions therein to them prescribed; and if default should be found, that the part and portion of every poor person making default should for that time be abated and distributed to other poor persons of the same house, by the discretion of the said mayor and bailiffs; and that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should yearly pay, to the mayor, 20*d.*; to the receiver, 4*d.*; to the three stewards, 4*d.* a piece; to the town clerk, 4*d.*; to the sword-bearer, 2*d.*; and to every serjeant, 1*d.*: provided, that if the house, called "St. Catherine's Almshouse," should not have continuance, or that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty might not execute the intent of that deed by reason of any interruption or denial from the said dean and chapter, then it should be lawful for the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, to cease the said weekly payment of 13*d.* to the poor of that house, and give the same weekly, for ever thereafter, to such other poor people within the said city as to them should seem best.

By bargain and sale inrolled, bearing date 24th May 1563, George Horsey, in consideration of the sum of 155*l.* conveyed to John Peter, mayor of the city of Exeter, and Geoffrey Totthill, gentleman, and their heirs, all his messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services, situate in the city of Exeter, or the suburbs of the same, or elsewhere in the county of the said city of Exeter; and by deed of feoffment, bearing date 18th January 1565, the said John Peter and Geoffrey Totthill, for divers good causes and considerations, conveyed the same premises to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, to the use of them and their successors for ever.

In Izacke's Register of the Charities of Exeter, printed in 1736, it is stated, that with the money given by Mr. Herne, lands were purchased by his executor, George Horsey, esq. This statement might lead to the supposition, that the above-mentioned almshouses are now entitled to the whole of the rents and profits of lands so purchased. But the foregoing documents show, that the chamber received the sum of 168*l.* 5*s.* given by Mr. Herne, and in consideration thereof covenanted to make certain specific payments; and that in the next year after the date of his gift, lands were purchased of Mr. Horsey with 155*l.* which was probably a part of the money received from Mr. Herne, in the names of the then mayor of Exeter, and another person, who conveyed the same to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty. The rents, and with some few exceptions, the fines for renewals of leases of these lands have been hitherto received by the warden of the poor, and carried to his general account; but we apprehend, that these lands are the property of the chamber, who are liable only to the specific payments, which by the above-mentioned deed of 1562, they covenanted to perform, amounting, in the whole, to 5*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* per annum. The lands thus purchased consist of—1. Three fields, containing 5*a.* & 1*r.* in the parish of St. Sidwell, leased in 1800, together with the field called Culverlands, given by Simon Grendon to Edward Gatty, esq. for 99 years, determinable on lives, at the joint rent of



of 3*l.* 5*s.* 2. Two fields at Maypole Head, containing 1*a.* & 3*a.* in the same parish, let to Thomas Wood, at a clear rack-rent of 23*l.* 3. A coachmaker's shop and yard in Longbrooke-street, in the same parish, leased in 1808 to Richard Street, for 99 years, determinable on lives. 4. A house, yard and workshops in Rack-lane, in the parish of St. Mary Major, let in two tenements to William Ellery and Mrs. Balle, at rack-rents, amounting to 28*l.* 10*s.* subject to deductions for repairs, rates and taxes. 5. A house, yard and smith's shop, in Westgate Quarter, in the parish of St. Mary Steps, leased in 1810 to John Browning, for 99 years, determinable on lives, at the rent of 2*l.* 10*s.* 6. A chief rent of 2*s.* issuing out of a tenement in Northgate-street, the north-west corner of Waterbear-lane.

The following specific payments, in respect of this gift, are made according to the donor's directions :—

To the poor in St. Catherine's almshouses, (which are under the care of the dean and chapter of Exeter, and will be investigated at a future time) 1 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>d.</i> per week, amounting annually to - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
To the poor in the Ten Cells, 10 <i>d.</i> per week - - - - -	2	16	4
To the poor in Palmer's almshouses, which are situate without the Southgate, 2 <i>d.</i> per week - - - - -	2	3	4
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**Baker's Gift.**—It is stated in Izacke's MS. Catalogue of Benefactions, that John Baker, by his Will, bearing date 8th February 1603, gave (after the decease of Joan, his wife) to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, and to their successors for ever, a yearly rent-charge of 5*s.* 4*d.* to be issuing out of his fee-simple lands and tenements in Smithen-street, in the parish of St. Olave, within the said city, payable quarterly at Lady-day, Midsummer, Michaelmas and Christmas, upon trust, that upon one of the said feasts, in every year, they should bestow as his perpetual alms to the poor people of the parish of St. George the Martyr, within the said city, 3*s.* 4*d.*; to the poor people of the Ten Cells, 3*s.* 4*d.*; to the poor people of the almshouses in Rock's-lane, within the same city, 3*s.* 4*d.*; to the poor people of the almshouses by the Quay Gate, 2*s.*; and to the poor people of the Magdalen, without the south gate of the same city, 3*s.* 4*d.*; which said tenements were then in the possession of John Mason and Anthony Dally.

This rent of 15*s.* 4*d.* is now paid to the warden of the poor by John Ferris, in respect of the premises charged therewith, which are situate on the north-west side of Smithen-street. The several annual sums of 3*s.* 4*d.* each, are paid to the parish officers of St. George the Martyr for the poor of that parish, to the poor people in the Ten Cells, and to the poor people in the Magdalen hospital, without the south gate. The latter establishment will be investigated at a future time. The almshouses, formerly in Rock's-lane, were founded by Sir William Bonville, the particulars of which foundation are stated in a subsequent part of the present Report. The annual sum of 3*s.* 4*d.* given to those almshouses, though it cannot now be specifically applied to them, as they no longer exist, ought, as appears to us, to be given to the poor in Lant's almshouses, which may be considered to have been substituted for those of Sir William Bonville. The almshouses near the Quay Gate no longer exist, and nothing appears to be now known of their foundation, or the exact site where they stood. They were probably destroyed before the year 1704, as Baker's donation of 2*s.* per annum to them was at that time, as it still continues to be, paid to the poor persons in Palmer's almshouses.

**Interest of Money.**—In the rentals of 1704 and 1738, to which we have before alluded, an annual sum of 20*l.* is stated to be received "of the receiver-general of the city of Exon for the interest of 400*l.*, being a fine formerly had of the said city estate;" and this interest appears to have been applied towards the support of the poor persons in the Ten Cells. We have endeavoured, without success, to obtain further information as to the original appropriation of the above-mentioned sum to this purpose.

An annual sum of 1*l.* 16*s.* is also stated in these rentals to be received "of the receiver-general of the city, for the interest of 30*l.*, recovered in Chancery against Archdeacon Helyar, for the poor people in St. Catherine's almshouses." And in a rental of 1749, this sum of 30*l.* is stated to have been recovered of the dean and chapter of Exeter.

We find, that by a decree of commissioners of charitable uses made in 1631, and confirmed as to this part of it by the Court of Chancery in 1633, the dean and chapter were (amongst other things) ordered to continue a payment of 17*s.* 4*d.* a year, which they had previously made to St. Catherine's almshouses; but it does not appear that any arrears of this payment were then ordered to be paid, and we have not been able to obtain any farther information as to the origin of this sum of 30*l.* than what we have stated.

These two annual sums of 20*l.* and 1*l.* 16*s.* appear, from the accounts, to have been paid by the receiver-general to the warden of the poor, to the year 1775. From that time till the year 1809, they were inserted in the rentals of the latter officer as payable, but have not been received by him since 1775, although the same scale of allowances, of which they formed a part, has been continued, both to the Ten Cells and to St. Catherine's almshouses, to the present time. No reason is assigned for the cessation of these payments, and we therefore apprehend, that the arrears of them from 1775 are due from the chamber, and ought to be carried to the account of the warden of the poor; and that the annual payments ought in future to be regularly made by that body to the two above-mentioned almshouses.

The following RENTAL contains a STATEMENT of the

No.	DONORS.	PARISH.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.
1	Grendon - -	St. Sidwell -	{ Edward Gattey, { esq. - -	{ A field called Culverlands, contain- ing 4 A. 2 R. 8 P. - - - }
2	Heyth - -	West Teignmouth, Devon.	John Creasy	{ - - Six small tenements, with gar- dens, a smith's shop, cellars, sta- bling, court-yard, &c. - - }
3	- - -	Ditto - -	William Burgoyne	A small field, containing 1 A. & 9 P.
4	- - -	Ditto - -	Thomas Luney -	{ - - A house, shop and garden, and a garden, sheds and cottage behind the same; and on the other side of the street a slip of ground leading to the river, partly built on and partly a garden - - - }
5	- - -	East Teignmouth	{ Richard Bridges, esq. now Rev. Dr. Gwynne - }	{ Two fields (formerly three), con- taining 4 A. & 36 P. - - }
6	- - -	Ditto - -	Henry Pittwood	{ Three houses and three cottages, with a small orchard - - }
7	- - -	Ditto - -	{ Bartholomew Luckis - - }	{ Three houses, small garden and courtlage - - - }
8	- - -	Ditto - -	{ Rev. John Te- meler - - }	{ Three houses with offices, one of them in a large garden - - }
9	Will. Buckenham	St. Mary Major -	Robert Russell	{ - - An undivided moiety of a large house and offices in South Gate- street, Exeter, in the occupation of the lessee, of extensive waggon stands, warehouses, lofts, granaries, wheel-wrights' and smiths' shops, stabling, &c. and of a good house and offices in the occupation of Robert Thomas. These premises were formerly the Bear Inn - }
10	Hensley - -	Kenn - -	Henry Ley, esq. {	{ A rent issuing out of lands called Lamplands - - - }
11	From Herne's gift	- - -	- - -	- - -
12	From Baker's gift	- - -	- - -	- - -
	From the interest of 400 l. payable by the chamber as before mentioned - - -			

The premises given by the different donors to the Ten Cells, have been constantly let on leases for 99 years, determinable on lives, with the exception of No. 3, part of Heyth's gift, which has been let at rack-rent from the year 1804, when new leases were granted by auction of nearly the whole of the property at Teignmouth, and is stated to have been so let in consequence of a sufficient fine not having been offered for it. It appears to us that this may be regarded as a fortunate circumstance, as the field now produces a good annual rent. All the lives on which the lease of the two fields at East Teignmouth, No. 5, were granted, are now dead, and there appears to be no reason why they should not also be let at rack-rent. At the time of our investigation in June 1821, information had been received by the chamber, that the lease of the last-mentioned fields had determined by the failure of the last life, about two years before; and it was intended to ascertain the exact time of this person's death, and to call upon the assignee of the lease for rent for the intermediate time. Great improvements have been made in the other parts of the property of the charity at Teignmouth, which consist of houses, buildings and gardens by the lessees since the last leases of them were granted. Mr. Collyns, one of the members of the chamber, who is well acquainted with these premises, states that, although if they were his own property he should let them at rack-rent, he thinks that from the expense which

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## PROPERTY applicable to the support of the TEN CELLS.

DATES of the LEASES.	FINES paid on the last Renewal.	Lives now existing, with their Ages, at the Date of the Leases.	Yearly Rent or Income.	Estimated clear Yearly Value.	REMARKS.
22 July 1800	£. s. d. 185 - -	Wm. Pilkington, 37	£. s. d. 2 - -	£. s. d. 13 2 -	-- In 1800, this field was leased, together with three other fields, purchased with Herne's gift, in consideration of a fine of 420 <i>l.</i> and a rent of 3 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> The previous rents were, for Culverlands, 2 <i>l.</i> ; and for Herne's three fields, 1 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> Mr. Gattey, the lessee, has assigned his interest in the other three fields to other persons, and has apportioned the rent at 1 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> for Culverlands, and 1 <i>l.</i> 16 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> for the other fields. But 2 <i>l.</i> is the share of the rent which this charity ought to receive, and 185 <i>l.</i> is the share of the fine of 420 <i>l.</i> which, according to the proportion of the quantity of land in Culverlands to that of the other three fields, ought to have been allotted to this charity.
30 July 1804	160 - -	{ Lessee - - 39 Agnes his wife 25 John their son, 6 mo. }	{ 1 - - 8 - - }	{ 33 - - 8 - - }	{ Old buildings. In fair repair. — }
{ Yearly tenant, at a clear rack-rent }	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
15 Dec. 1812	300 - -	{ John Line Templer, 14 W. Cartwright, jun. 18 }	{ 4 - - }	{ 12 - - }	{ In good repair. Much improved by the lessee.
30 July 1804	195 - -	{ - - The last life, on which this lease was held, is lately dead }	{ 1 - - }	{ 12 15 - }	{ — }
30 July 1804	105 - -	{ Lessee - - 39 Jane his daughter, 13 William his son, 10 }	{ - 5 - }	{ 36 - - }	{ In good repair. Much improved by the lessee.
30 July 1804	31 10 -	{ Lessee - - 32 Elisabeth his wife 38 John their son 2 }	{ - 2 - }	{ - - - }	{ Built by the lessee. In good repair.
26 June 1798	52 10 -	{ John Templar - 11 }	{ - 10 - }	{ 84 - - }	{ In good repair. Much improved by the lessee.
21 Feb. 1809	20 - -	{ William Randle, 14 Charlotte Templar, 26 }	{ - 10 - }	{ 84 - - }	{ In good repair. Much improved by the lessee.
27 Feb. 1781	70 - -	Robert Russell - 23	{ 10 - - }	{ 74 - - }	{ - - In good repair. The whole premises estimated to be worth 148 <i>l.</i> p' ann.
2 Dec. 1806	200 - -	Thomas Russell 24	{ 10 - - }	{ 74 - - }	{ - - In good repair. The whole premises estimated to be worth 148 <i>l.</i> p' ann.
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must be incurred in employing a person to let the houses and look after the repairs, it will be more beneficial to the charity to renew the leases, provided that the money received for fines is laid out in the public funds, so as to produce an increase of annual income.

Mr. Gattey, the present town clerk of the city of Exeter, and the lessee of Culverlands (No. 1, in the Rental,) held the office of chamberlain of the city at the time that the lease thereof was granted to him in 1800. He appears to have paid a fair price for his lease by way of fine. An auction had been held for letting this land, together with the three other fields included in the same lease, without success. This lease now depends upon one life only, and we conceive that it will be advantageous to the charity to allow it to determine without renewal, and to let the field at rack-rent.

The almshouses called the Ten Cells are situate in Preston-street, and are inhabited by 10 widows, appointed, as vacancies occur, by the chamber of Exeter.

The following allowances have been hitherto received by these almswomen from the warden of the poor:—

1*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* paid every fortnight and equally divided amongst them, being } £. 36 16 8  
at the rate of 1*s.* 5*d.* each per week, making in the whole, yearly - }

The same allowances appear to have been paid to them in 1704, and to have been made up in the following manner:—

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
From Grendon - - -	2	-	-	From Herne - - -	2	3	4
— Heyth - - -	1	10	-	— Baker - - -	-	3	4
— W. Buckenham - -	10	-	-	The city, for the interest of 400 <i>l.</i>	20	-	-
— Hensley - - -	1	-	-		£.	36	16 8

They have also received at Christmas, Lady-day and Midsummer, an additional allowance amongst them of 11*s.* 8*d.* and at Michaelmas of 16*s.* 8*d.*, making in the whole, yearly - - - - - £. 2 11 8

The last-mentioned sums were, till the separation of the offices of receiver-general and warden of the poor in 1809, paid by the former officer; but since that time have been, as we conceive incorrectly, paid by the latter. It does not appear by the accounts from whose gift they are derived, but we think there is no doubt that of the said 2*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* per annum, the sum of 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* is payable by the chamber in respect of a covenant made by that body, in 1587, with John Haydon, of Cadehay, as the executor of the before-mentioned David Hensley, for the payment of that sum to the inhabitants of the Ten Cells, and that the remaining 5*s.* arises from a gift by deed, in 1567, of Mrs. Joan Tuckfield, of two houses in the parish of Saint Martin, for providing gowns and shifts for 12 poor women, and for distributing out of the rents to 12 poor women, 1*d.* each at five feasts, in her said deed mentioned.

The gowns and shifts provided in respect of this gift of Mrs. Tuckfield, have also been constantly given to the poor women in these almshouses, to the amount of between 11*l.* and 12*l.* per annum, and since 1809, these articles have been furnished by the warden of the poor.

Neither of the last-mentioned gifts had ever previously to that time been under the management of the warden of the poor, and no funds appropriated to these purposes have ever been received by that officer. We apprehend, therefore, that these charges ought still to be defrayed by the receiver from the general funds of the chamber.

The particulars of the last-mentioned gifts will be stated immediately after the charities under the management of the warden of the poor. It should be observed that the gift here alluded to of Mrs. Tuckfield, is totally distinct from that derived from the will of the same lady, dated in 1568, of houses in the parishes of Saint Petrock and Saint Stephen, for providing bread, the rents of which are received by the warden of the poor as hereinafter mentioned.

It may be proper here also to notice, that the poor women in the Ten Cells receive from Richard Lant's gift, 2*l.* per lunar month, being 1*s.* a week to each person, and from Thomas Cook's gift, 2*s.* a week to each person. These sums are paid by the respective curators of these charities, which are more particularly stated in subsequent parts of the present Report.

They also receive from the company of tailors at Exeter, the small annual sum of 1*s.* 8*d.* amongst them in respect of another gift of the said Joan Tuckfield.

It is stated in Izacke's MS. Catalogue, that the above-mentioned Richard Lant gave to the chamber 100*l.* towards rebuilding these almshouses.

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The following RENTAL contains a STATEMENT of the PROPERTY - - -

No.	PARISH.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.
1	St. David	Thomas Buller	{ - - Three fields, called Pestle Downs, on the east side of the road to Cowley Bridge, containing 12 A. 1 R. 6 P. - - }	12 March 1793 3 Dec. 1796
2	Ditto	{ Rev. Geo. Gregory and Ja <sup>s</sup> Pitman, Esq.	{ - - The Devon and Exeter Subscription Rooms, lately built, formerly the Bristol Inn - - - - }	19 May 1821
3	Ditto	Michael Franklyn	{ - - A dwelling-house in the Fore-street, adjoining the above part of late Gandy's, lately built by the lessee - - }	Lease not executed
4	Ditto	Charles Cole	{ A dwelling-house adjoining, built by the lessee - - - - }	9 May 1821
5	Ditto	John Nicholls	{ A dwelling-house adjoining, built by the lessee - - - - }	19 July 1820
6	St. Sidwell	George Sloman	{ One third part of a field, called Cockworthy, containing in the whole 2 A. 2 R. }	{ 28 Sept. 1772 10 Oct. 1815 for two lives }
7	Ditto	Rev. Jonas Dennis	{ - - A moiety of a field at the bottom of Longbrook-street, in Saint Sidwell, the whole field containing 1 A. 2 R. 14 P. - }	{ 30 July 1804 for two lives }
8	Ditto	Samuel Kingdon	{ - - Two parcels of land, containing 3 A. 3 R. 10 P. in Witherbed Mead, by Landscore - - - - }	10 June 1818
9	Ditto	William Stephens	{ - - A dwelling-house and garden near Saint Anne's Chapel, on the north-west side of Saint Sidwell's-street - - }	9 Aug. 1790 30 June 1801
10	Ditto	Eliz. Chambers	{ - - A chief rent payable out of a tenement in Paris-street, next below a little lane, called Hangman-lane - - - - }	- - -

## WILLIAM HURST'S ALMSHOUSES.

*William Hurst*, the elder, alderman of the city of Exeter, by Deed, bearing date 13th October 1567, for divers good causes and charitable considerations gave, granted and enfeoffed to William Hurst the younger, Nicholas Martyn and William Martyn, and their heirs, twelve houses and gardens, newly erected by him for twelve poor people, situate near without the east gate of the said city, in the parish of Saint David, and two closes called Pestle's Down, in the same parish, of the yearly value of 6*l.* 4*s.*; and a tenement, near without the said east gate in the same parish, then or late in the occupation of Richard Gifford, of the yearly value of 4*l.* 10*s.*; and an orchard or garden in the parish of Saint Sidwell, of the yearly value of 6*s.* 8*d.*; and a tenement and garden in the same parish, of the yearly value of 6*s.* 8*d.*; and a yearly rent of 4*s.* out of certain lands in the said parish; and a yearly rent of 3*s.* out of lands and tenements, late parcel of the inheritance of Sir Boyce Bluet, knight, deceased, in the parish of Saint George, in the said city; and a yearly rent of 3*s.* out of lands and tenements, then or late of Robert Hill, esq., in the said parish of Saint George; and a yearly rent of 8*d.* out of Hedwell Mead, in the parish of Saint Sidwell; and a yearly rent of 12*d.* out of lands in the said parish of Saint Sidwell, then or late of — Style; and two yearly rents of 6*d.* and 4*d.* out of lands, in the same parish, payable by the wardens or parishioners of Saint Sidwell; and a yearly rent of 4*d.* out of lands in the same parish, late of — Tuckfield; and all that his land, meadow and pasture in the said parish of Saint Sidwell, of the yearly value of 4*s.*; and two parcels of land, meadow and pasture, in the said parish of Saint Sidwell, lying in Landscore, in a close there called Withybed Mead, to the use of himself for his life, and after his death to the use of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, and their successors; to the intent to perform the true purport and meaning of the contents of a schedule thereunto annexed, and by him specially appointed for the relief of twelve poor men for ever.

By the schedule annexed to the said deed, the lands, tenements, rents and hereditaments therein mentioned were ordained and appointed by the said William Hurst the elder, towards the maintenance and relief of 12 poor people for ever, in the 12 almshouses specified in the said deed, so as the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should, with the issues and profits of the same premises, give and distribute yearly to every such as should be placed in the said 12 almshouses, 20*s.* a year, to be paid quarterly; and with the residue (except 5*s.*) repair and maintain the said almshouses. And it was also ordained, that no poor person should, after the death of the said William Hurst the elder, be placed into any of the said almshouses without the assent of the mayor and the most part of the masters of the four and twenty of the same city, for the time being; and to the intent that the same ordinance should be better looked unto, he appointed, that out of the issues and profits, 5*s.* should be paid yearly to the mayor and other officers, for their pains in looking to the necessary repairs, &c. of the said houses; and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty thereby covenanted with the said William Hurst the elder, to do as much as in them should reasonably be for the due execution and performance of the premises.

- - - given by Mr. Hurst for the Support of these ALMSHOUSES.

FINES paid on the last Renewal.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the date of the Lease.	RENT.	Estimated Yearly Value.	REMARKS.
£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
367 10 -	{ Thomas Buller - 36	6 4 -	46 - -	* The conventional rent payable by the lessees is 60 <i>l.</i> but the chamber are entitled to a portion of this rent for a part of the premises contained in the lease belonging to them, as subsequently stated in the Report. The amount of this portion is not yet settled. The lessees have the power of adding one life on failure of the first life, upon paying the amount of one year's conventional rent.
84 - -	{ Charlotte Buller - 6			
	{ Elizabeth Soper - 24			
Building lease	{ William Parr Pitman 9			
	{ Sam <sup>l</sup> Kingdon, jun. 11	* - -	270 - -	
	{ Theophilus Blackall 9			
Ditto	- - - - -			
	- - - - -			
Ditto	{ Charles Cole, jun. 7	10 - -	60 - -	In good repair. The lessees have the power of adding one life upon the failure of the first life on payment of the amount of one year's conventional rent.
	{ John Cole - 4			
	{ Tho <sup>s</sup> Dyke Acland 13			
	{ John Nicholls - 46			
Ditto	{ William Gerrett - 15	10 - -	60 - -	- ditto.
	{ John Gerrett - 15			
	{ John Sloman - 8			
	{ Lessee - - - 39			
42 - -	{ Harriet, his daughter, 6	- 4 -	1 15 -	{ The whole field estimated to be worth 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> per annum.
70 - -	{ Lessee - - - 29			
	{ Rev. John Dennis - 27			
42 - -	{ Thomas Kingdon - 5			
	{ William Kingdon - 4	- 10 -	13 - -	{ The whole field estimated to be worth 4 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> per annum.
	{ James Smith Kingdon, 2			
300 - -	{ Mary Hamilton - 46			
	{ Mary Toller Kingsley, 14			
18 18 -	- - - - -	- 6 8	23 - -	In tenantable repair.
60 - -	- - - - -			
- - -	- - - - -			
- - -	- - - - -			
- - -	- - - - -	- 4 -	- -	-

The almshouses built by Mr. Hurst, which consisted of 12 tenements, six on the ground floor, and six others over them, with small gardens adjoining, stood near the New London Inn, without the east gate of the city of Exeter, and adjoining to the ground upon which Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5, in the Rental, have been erected. The Bristol Inn, on the site of which the subscription rooms (No. 2) now stand, was, till the year 1795, let on leases for 99 years, determinable on lives, at the rent of  $2\text{ l. } 5\text{ s.}$ ; and three old houses, on the site of which Nos. 3, 4 and 5 now stand, were also let on similar leases, at a joint rent of the same amount, till the year 1818; and we think there is no doubt that the whole of these premises are the same as are described in Mr. Hurst's deed, as being a tenement without the east gate, in the occupation of Richard Gifford, of the yearly value of  $4\text{ l. } 10\text{ s.}$

The almshouses have been lately removed to a spot of ground adjoining to Paris-street, in the parish of St. Sidwell, under the following circumstances:—

From the time of taking down the east gate in 1784, it had been in the contemplation of the chamber to improve the buildings on the outside of the gate, which were old and in a very dilapidated state; but this plan could not be carried into effect during the existence of the leases for lives, on which the above-mentioned property of this charity in that situation was held. The Bristol Inn fell into hand in 1795; but the last person on whose life the lease of the three other old houses depended did not die till 1818, and in the mean time the Bristol Inn was let at rack-rent to a yearly tenant. The three houses were found, on the failure of the last life, to be in a very ruinous and scarcely habitable state; and it was shortly afterwards agreed between the chamber and the persons who had held the old leases of these houses, that upon the latter engaging to lay out about 1,000*l.* each in rebuilding their respective houses, leases should be granted to them for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at a conventional rent of 10*l.* for each house, with a power for the lessee to add another life upon the failure of the first life, on payment of a fine amounting to one year's conventional rent. These houses have been rebuilt accordingly, and two of the leases have been granted. The third remains to be executed. It was at first thought that the Bristol Inn might be repaired, but a considerable sum must have been expended for this purpose; and when the new houses were finished, we are informed that this old building formed such a contrast to them, that it could not with propriety be continued in its then state, and it was therefore proposed to let the ground on leases for building other houses. In May 1819, an offer was made to take a lease of the site of the Bristol Inn for the purpose of erecting public rooms thereon, and it appears to have been an essential part of this proposal, that the almshouses should be removed, and their site included in such lease; and the projectors offered to rebuild them on a spot of ground to be provided by the chamber. An agreement was accordingly concluded, and has been carried into effect. A row of 12 almshouses, with a small garden to each, has been built by the projectors, under the inspection of a committee of the chamber, upon a plot of ground adjoining to Paris-street, provided by that body. A large sum has been expended in the erection of the public rooms; and a lease, bearing date 19th May 1821, has been granted by the chamber to the Rev. George Gregory and James Pitman, esq. for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the rent of 60*l.*, with a power to add a fourth on failure of the first life, on payment of a fine amounting to one year's conventional rent. This lease includes the rooms thus built, which occupy nearly the same site as the Bristol Inn formerly did, and also the plot of ground where the almshouses stood, upon which at present no buildings are erected; but the lessees covenant to build within the space of seven years, from Christmas 1819, upon the said plot, and also on the adjoining ground whereon two houses are now standing, in the occupation of George Winsborough and John Norrish, within two years after the same shall come into their possession, good and substantial dwelling-houses or other buildings; and on the other hand, the lessors covenant, on the determination of the existing leases of the premises in the possession of Winsborough and Norrish, to grant the same to the lessees for the same term, without any further consideration to be paid for the same. The two last-mentioned houses are held under the chamber, but do not form a part of the property given by Mr. Hurst. The chamber conceive that, as they have given up the ground for the erection of the new almshouses, they are entitled to the site of the old ones for their own use, and also to a portion of the conventional rent of 60*l.*, in respect of that site and of the other two houses, which, after the determination of the existing leases, are to be granted and included in the same rent. It is admitted that the site of the old almshouses, though less in quantity, is, from its situation, more valuable than that of the new ones; and so far it appears, that the chamber will ultimately be gainers by the exchange with the charity, which in strictness we apprehend they had no power to make; but we think it may fairly be considered, that as the plans of improvement which have been carried into effect, and by which the value of the property of the charity is now, and at a future time its income in all probability will be, considerably increased, could not have taken place without the removal of the almshouses; and as the site of the old almshouses, although now more valuable, could not, while they remained, have produced any additional income, no injury has been done to the charity in this respect. The new almshouses appear, as far as we have been able to ascertain, to be, upon the whole, at least equal to the former ones in point of accommodation to the inhabitants, though they may have sustained some temporary inconveniences from the removal. It would have been a more regular proceeding, if, previously to letting the ground for the erection of the rooms, the property of the charity had been accurately defined, and a lease thereof granted separate from that of the property of the chamber, and at a distinct rent; but this omission may, and, as appears to us, ought to be now supplied by a deed from the chamber, containing an accurate statement, by measure, of their own portion of this property and that of the charity, a declaration of the trusts on which the latter is held, and a fair apportionment of the rent, with a correct plan of the premises annexed. The immediate effect of the arrangements above-mentioned was a reduction of income, as the Bristol Inn, which, from 1795 to 1813, was let at 42*l.* per annum, was, from that year to the time of its being pulled down, let at the rent of 140*l.*; but this rent could not have been supported, nor indeed, as we are informed, could more than one half of that rent have been obtained, without the expending considerable sums in substantial repairs; and we are inclined to think, that, upon the whole, the property has been advantageously disposed of. We are informed that the public rooms are now let at the rent of 500*l.* per annum; but as the profits of them must necessarily be casual, this rent may be considered more than their fair average annual value. Mr. John Powning, a surveyor, states it to be his opinion, that a secure clear annual rent may be calculated upon from them of not less than 270*l.*

Doubts are stated by some of the members of the chamber to exist in their minds, whether, as the ground on which the almshouses and other adjoining houses were built must have been originally part of the ditch under the city wall, and therefore the property of the chamber, Mr. Hurst could have had the power of disposing of the entire interest in them, and they suggest that he had probably only a leasehold interest under the chamber in this ground. But when we find that Mr. Hurst, at so remote a period

as the year 1567, treated the property as his own, conveying it to trustees to the use of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, upon charitable trusts; and that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty accepted the trusts and covenanted to perform them, we can see no ground for the doubts thus entertained. A fourth house, which was built at the same time with those on lease to Franklyn, Cole and Nicholls, (Nos. 3, 4 and 5 in the Rental,) and having a uniform front with them towards the High-street, is the property of the chamber, the site of it being the spot where the tower of the east gate stood, previously to the removal of that gate.

The two parcels of land, containing 3 A. 3 R. 10 P. in Withybed Mead (No. 8 in the Rental) lie open to the other part of this meadow, which contains 1 A. 1 R. 21 P. and is the property of Mr. Samuel Kingdon, the lessee; but the boundaries are distinctly marked in a map annexed to his lease. These quantities were ascertained by measurement when the last lease was granted.

We have had doubts whether the land thus leased to Mr. Kingdon was the gift of Mr. Hurst, or purchased with the money given by Mr. Herne, as stated in the account of the Ten Cells. In the general map of the property of the chamber, made about the year 1760, part of the land held by lease of the chamber, in Withybed Mead, is marked as having been the gift of Mr. Hurst, and the residue is marked as having been the gift of Mr. Herne, and the rentals from 1764 are to the same effect; and indeed, in the old rental of 1704, amongst the rents of property derived from Mr. Herne's gift, is one of 10*s.* stated to be paid by Herman Pitt for "a close called Withybed Mead," which is probably the same part of that meadow that Mr. Kingdon now holds by lease, the rent of the latter being still 10*s.* But on the other hand, in Mr. Hurst's deed of gift are mentioned two parcels of land, lying in Landscore, in Withybed Mead, which answer to the description in the present lease; and in a note to the rental of 1738, the land in Withybed Mead, then held by the executors of Ford as the assignee of Herman Pitt, at the rent of 10*s.* is attributed to Hurst's gift. The conveyance from George Horsey in 1563, which has been before mentioned, of the property purchased of him with the money given by Mr. Herne, is in general words, and therefore does not tend to identify the lands so purchased; but one of the fields adjoins to Withybed Mead, and old leases from the persons of the name of Horsey, of that field, and of two other fields near the same spot, have been produced to us, but none of Withybed Mead. We are, therefore, inclined to think that we have correctly placed the whole of the land in Withybed Mead, held by Mr. Kingdon on lease, in the rental of the property given by Hurst.

It is stated, that there is some young timber upon the part of Withybed Mead belonging to the charity, of the value of about 40*l.*, but that there is not much timber upon any of the other lands, of which the rents are received by the warden of the poor.

All the premises given by Mr. Hurst appear to have been let, as far back as we can trace them, on leases for 99 years, determinable on lives. The lands, on which there are no buildings, lie near the city of Exeter, and might be let very advantageously at rack-rent; and, therefore, we conceive that it will be most beneficial for the charity that the leases of them should not be renewed. Of the several small rents which were included in the gift of Mr. Hurst, the only one which has been received for many years is a rent of 4*s.* (No. 10 in the Rental), and we are not enabled to trace the lands out of which the other rents issued.

It appears from Izacke's MS. Catalogue of Benefactions, that John Lant, by his will, bearing date the 9th of July 1614, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, 100*l.* to be employed in buying lands and tenements, whereof the rents, issues, profits and fines should for ever be employed towards the better maintenance of the poor almspeople in Mr. William Hurst's almshouses without the east gate. In the before-mentioned rental of 1704, this 100*l.* is stated to be due from Humphrey Leigh on bond, at five per cent. interest; and in the rental of 1738, it is stated to be in the same manner due from the executors or administrators of Humphrey Leigh; but we have not been able to ascertain whether this sum was ever repaid to the chamber by the representatives of Humphrey Leigh. No interest appears to have been received for it in the accounts of the warden of the poor about the year 1740, nor at any subsequent time.

The inhabitants in Mr. Hurst's almshouses (12 in number) are appointed by the chamber as vacancies occur. The benefits of the original nominations are confined to men; but when a married man dies, his widow is sometimes permitted to remain in the same house till her death.

The allowances paid to them till very lately were as follow: 2*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* every half-quarter day, equally divided amongst them, amounting to 17*l.* per annum, which appears to have been the amount of the payments made to them in 1704, 12*l.* thereof being at that time derived from Hurst's gift, and the remaining 5*l.* from the above-mentioned gift of John Lant; and 1*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* more every quarter-day, divided in like manner, amounting to 7*l.* 10*s.* per annum; being in the whole rather more than 9*d.* per week to each person. The last-mentioned sum of 7*l.* 10*s.* arose from a voluntary gift of the chamber, of a portion of the bell-money, or rent received by the public crier of the city for his office. The amount of the bell-money is 10*l.* per annum, which, from the year 1769 to the present time, has been divided between these almshouses and Palmer's almshouses, in the proportions of 7*l.* 10*s.* to the former, and 2*l.* 10*s.* to the latter. The inhabitants of Hurst's almshouses have also received, in the winter, occasional donations of coals from the warden of the poor.

By a late order of chamber, they now receive 2*s.* 6*d.* each per week, which will amount to 78*l.* per annum. This augmented allowance commenced from the 9th of May 1821; and it may be expected, that when to the increased rents of this charity shall be added the interest arising from the balances which we conceive to be due to it from the chamber, as hereinafter stated, their situation may be still farther improved. The bell-money being a voluntary gift from the chamber, may be withdrawn from these almshouses, but the above-mentioned funds will be fully sufficient for their support.

#### PALMER'S ALMSHOUSES.

John Palmer, by his Will, bearing date the 26th of October 1487, which has been found amongst the documents of the chamber of Exeter, reciting, that he had by his deed granted to John Borton and others, and their heirs, all his messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services, which he had in a street called Maudlin-street, without the south gate of the city of Exeter, as more fully appeared in his said deed, bearing date the 24th of October in the same year, declared his will to be, that his said feoffees, their heirs and assigns, should pay yearly to the churchwarden for the time being of the church of the parish of the Holy Trinity in Exeter, where he desired to be buried, out of the rents and profits of the said messuages, &c. 13*s.* 4*d.*; and that his anniversary should be honour-



ably kept in the said church by the said churchwarden, his executors and feoffees, with 6 s. 8 d.; and if any thing should remain thereof, that it should be disposed of to pious uses, as to them should seem best. He also directed, that his said feoffees should pay to each of the poor persons in his almshouses for the time being, out of the said rents and profits, 6 s. 8 d. at the feasts of Easter and Christmas, by equal portions, and that the said almshouses should be maintained and well repaired by his said feoffees; and if any thing of the said rents and profits should remain, he directed that they should be disposed of in pious uses by the before-named persons, as was before declared. He also directed, that

The following RENTAL contains a STATEMENT - - -

No.	PARISH.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.
1	{ Trinity, Exeter }	Robert Kennaway	{ - A house and offices, courtlage and large garden, in Magdalen-street, nearly opposite Wynard's almshouses - - }	{ 10 July 1800 13 Dec. 1800 11 June 1817 }
2	Ditto -	James Cresswell	{ A house, courtlage and garden, adjoining the foregoing - - - - }	26 April 1810
3	Ditto -	J. Edye Manning	{ A small dwelling-house adjoining the foregoing, formerly a stable - - }	13 Dec. 1810

In the before-mentioned rental of 1704, the premises held under Palmer's gift are described as being a tenement, formerly the Bull Inn, the rent of which is there stated to be 5*l.* and a tenement adjoining let at the rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* As the present conventional rents of these premises are now only 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and as a meadow adjoining thereto is known by the name of Bull Meadow, and is held under lease from the chamber at the conventional rent of 3*l.*, we were led to inquire whether this meadow might not have been a part of the property given by Mr. Palmer, but we were satisfied that there was no ground for this conjecture by the production of the counterpart of a lease, dated 1st October 1488, whereby the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, reciting that they had by lease, in the 27th Henry VI. granted a tenement or toft in a park or close lying without the east gate, for 58 years, confirmed the same to John Symon and John Coke (who appear, from Mr. Palmer's will, to have been his executors and two of his feoffees) for 58 years, at the rent of 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* An indorsement in old writing states this to be the counterpart of a lease of Bull Meadow, the inheritance of the city, of the gift of Wilford. From this it is evident that the Bull Meadow was the property of the chamber previously to Mr. Palmer's gift. It is probable that the circumstance of the possession of this meadow and of the tenements given by Mr. Palmer, having been united in the same person, might have led to an incorrect statement of the amount of the rent of the latter in the rental of 1704. In that of 1738, the rent of the premises given by him is stated to be 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* its present amount.

The annual sum of 13*s.* 4*d.* is paid to the churchwardens of Trinity parish.

The almshouses are situate in Magdalen-street, and consist of four tenements with gardens, inhabited by as many poor widows appointed by the chamber. The allowances made to them in 1704, were the same as are specified in the donor's will, amounting annually to 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, together with 8*s.* 8*d.* from Herne's gift, and 2*s.* from Baker's gift. In 1769, an addition of 2*l.* 10*s.* per annum was made by the chamber from the bell-money, already mentioned in the account of Hurst's almshouses, and has been continued to the present time, the whole amounting to 4*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* per annum, paid by quarterly payments of 1*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.* each, and divided amongst the four almswomen.

Of the conventional rents of Mr. Palmer's gift, which are probably of the same amount now as at the time of the original gift, a very small sum remains, after the specific payments, to be applied in the repairs of the almshouses, but fines for the renewals of leases have been from time to time received and carried to the general account of the warden of the poor, from which the repairs have been defrayed. One fine, amounting to 125*l.*, which was received in 1800, was, amongst others, which we shall hereafter mention, incorrectly carried to the account of the receiver-general of the chamber.

As the property held under this gift is now of considerable value, we conceive it will not be difficult in future, upon the failure of the lives on which the leases of it are held, to add to the present small annual income of it, either by letting the houses at rack-rent, or if that should, from the state of the property, be inexpedient, by increasing the amount of the conventional rents, and investing the amount of such fines as may be received in the public funds. Mr. Palmer's directions for the application of the surplus beyond the specified payments and repairs of his almshouses are general, that they shall be disposed of in pious uses; but it appears to us that they cannot be more correctly applied than in the support and maintenance of the almshouses erected by him.

Each of the poor women of this almshouse receives 2*s.* a week, and other occasional assistance from Thomas Cook's gift, which will be stated in a subsequent part of the present Report.

#### GILBERD'S ALMSHOUSES, NEAR NEWTON BUSHELL.

By Indenture, bearing date the 4th of October 1538, between John Gilberd, of the one part; and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, of the other part; reciting, that the said John Gilberd had lately purchased three little messuages and two little closes, lying in the parish of Kingsteignton and adjoining to the King's highway leading from the town to Newton Bushell, towards the city of Exeter, on the west part of the said highway, and not distant from Newton Bushell a quarter of a mile; and that he intended, for the common weal of the country and for the relief of poor lazar people (whereof great number by that disease were then infected, to the great danger of



that when three of his said feoffees should be dead, the three survivors should convey the premises to six other honest men to fulfil his will.

In Izacke's MS. Catalogue it is stated, that this donor appointed the government and nomination of the poor, in the almshouse founded and built by him, to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city; but no such direction is to be found in his will.

It does not appear by what instrument or at what time the premises given by him were conveyed to the chamber, or whether they were ever so conveyed; but at least as far back as the year 1704, they were held under lease from the chamber, and the rents received by the warden of the poor.

- - - of the PROPERTY given by Mr. Palmer.

FINES paid on the last Renewal.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Date of the Lease.	RENT.	YEARLY VALUE.	REMARKS.
£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
125 - -				
{ - 5 - and surrender of lease of 1800 }	Sophia Greenway - 21 Elizabeth Greenway - 17	{ 1 10 8	66 - -	In want of some repairs.
90 - -	Benj. John Warren - 12			
{ 35 - - and surrender of lease of 1800 }	James Cresswell - 36 Sophia Greenway - 21 Elizabeth Greenway - 17	{ - 17 8	41 - -	-- In fair repair. This was included in the lease of the preceding premises in 1800, for which the fine of 125 l. was paid.
{ - 5 - and surrender of lease of 1800 }	Sophia Greenway - 21 Elizabeth Greenway - 17	{ - 5 -	5 - -	This was also included in the lease of 1800.

of infection among much people with whom they used to be conversant, for lack of convenient hospitals in the county of Devon), to build and provide a convenient lodging for a more number of the said lazar people than the said three little messuages and two little closes would sustain, and to have continually there after his decease only lazar people, and these to have their lodging and living; it was agreed between the said parties, in manner following, viz., that whereas the said John Gilberd having special confidence in the said mayor and commonalty, and their successors, that they would assist in the perpetual continuance of the said good act, had granted to them all the said three messuages and the said two closes of land, and had paid to them the sum of 220 marks; and forasmuch as the said mayor and commonalty, with the said sum of 220 marks, and with the said messuages and lands, had provided and would provide such convenient yearly profit as should amount to more in yearly value to the said mayor and commonalty, and their successors, than the charge thereafter following; therefore the said mayor and commonalty agreed, for themselves and their successors, with the said John Gilberd and his heirs, that they would suffer the said John Gilberd, his heirs or executors, during the space of six years then next following, to enter into the said tenements and closes, there to build such lazar houses, lodging or habitations for chapel, chambers and other houses of office, as should be necessary for a greater number of lazar people than the said houses then built would sustain or lodge, and that they would suffer the said John Gilberd during his life to put into the said lazar houses such poor diseased people as he should please, and after his death, that it should be lawful for the said mayor and commonalty, and their successors, to put into the said houses as many lazar people as the said hospital would conveniently lodge; and that the said mayor and commonalty, and their successors, would yearly distribute to the same poor people the sum of 4 l. quarterly, and also would cause, every month in the year, all such goods, chattels or money as should be offered to the said poor people to be equally distributed amongst them, and also would suffer the said poor people to have and occupy to their uses the said two closes adjoining to the said tenements or hospital, the one of them lying by the highway for the use of a garden, for their herbs and other necessities, and the other close to find their horses to conduct or carry their factors or proctors, to make provision for their victual, alms and other necessities for them; and that the said mayor and commonalty and their successors, in consideration of the payment of the said sum of money, would at all times sufficiently repair the said tenements, lands and hospital for the convenient habitation of the said poor people, and would do or cause to be done such other ordinances by the said John Gilberd made, as thereafter followed; viz., that the said poor people should, amongst themselves, every year choose a warden of such amongst them as should be of best discretion and of power of body to help to see the good order and virtuous living in the said hospital, of the residue of his company, and thereof and of such defaults of any of them that should be of contrary disposition, the same to specify, as need should require, to the said John Gilberd during his life, and after his death to the said mayor and commonalty and their successors; upon which instructions, as well for that as for any other cause reasonable, it should as well be lawful to the said John Gilberd during his life, as to the said mayor and commonalty after his death, to remove any of the said poor people that would not be ordered, or should be in default contrary to that ordinance, and to have liberty to put in other in their rooms; and it was further ordered by the said John Gilberd, that the said poor people so to be put into the said hospital should, during their abiding there, use themselves virtuously both in their words and deeds, so that by any contrary occasion there should grow no division amongst them, and that such amongst them as should have ability to labour should not be in idleness, but should assist the rest of the company that should be impotent, and also, as their power would extend, should labour in their herb-garden for their own sustenance, and that as many of the said people as should be able should go into the chapel mornings and evenings, and there repeat certain prayers; all which ordinances the said mayor and commonalty, after the decease of the said John Gilberd, would endeavour to have observed and kept. according to his true and charitable intent.

The present state of this lazar house or almshouse will form a subject for future inquiry amongst the charities in that part of the country where it is situate, but it is proper to mention it here, as the chamber of Exeter, by the above-stated deed, took upon themselves the trusts therein mentioned;

and as the annual sum of 4*l.* appears to have been constantly paid by the warden of the poor towards the support of this establishment.

In 1657, a lease was granted by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, to Nicholas Combe, of a close of land, containing, by estimation, three-fourths of an acre, in the parish of Highweek, then in the occupation of John Paul, bounded by the highway leading from Teignbridge to Newton Bushell on the east, the way leading from the above-mentioned almshouse towards Highweek church on the south, and the lands of Thomas Leere on the north, for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the yearly rent of 12*s.*; the lessee covenanting, before Michaelmas then next, to repair and new build the said almshouse, then very ruinous and in great decay, and to keep the same in repair for the term of 14 years from the said Michaelmas. In the rental of the warden of the poor for 1704, the rent of 12*s.* is stated to be payable by the assigns of Philip Paul, for a close of land adjoining to the almshouses at Highweek, and amongst the payments is the following entry:—

<p>“ J. Gilberd.—To three poor almspeople at Highweek, besides the close, 20<i>s.</i> quarterly This is paid by Mr. Yarde, and other trustees.”</p>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>£.</td> <td>s.</td> <td>d.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>4</td> <td>—</td> </tr> </table>	£.	s.	d.		4	—
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The close described in the lease is, from the situation, probably one of those mentioned in John Gilberd's deed, although the latter are stated to be in the parish of Kingsteignton, and the former is stated to be in the parish of Highweek.

The chamber of Exeter are not at this time in the receipt of the rents of any such close; and we have not found any accounts of repairs having been done by them to this almshouse, but the annual sum of 4*l.* is regularly paid to some person who calls for it on behalf of the almspeople.

During the time that the offices of warden of the poor and receiver-general were held by the same person, and the balances carried to one general account, it might not appear of much importance from what fund this annuity was paid; but now, as a separation of these offices has taken place, and as the chamber are liable to the payment of the annuity in consequence of their agreement with John Gilberd, made in consideration of the 220 marks received from him, and not in respect of any property now under the care of the warden of the poor, we conceive, that the annual sum of 4*l.* ought in future to be paid by the chamber from their own funds.

*Amerideth's Gift.*—Griffith Amerideth, by his Will, bearing date 3d January 1556, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, directed that the profits of his lands and tenements in Sidford, Sidbury and Salcombe, being of the value of 38*s.*, or thereabouts, should be received by the mayor of the city of Exeter, and his successors for the time being; the said profits to be bestowed for ever towards the buying of shrouds for prisoners which should suffer at Ryngswill, and for the maintenance of the wall which should be made, and should compass the ground that should be hallowed there for the burial of the prisoners; and also for the maintenance of the chapel, if any should be built there.

Edward Amerideth, son and heir of the said testator, by deed, bearing date 9th April 1661, reciting, that his said father had by his last will desired that all his lands, hereditaments, possessions and tenements, situate within the parish of Sidbury, should fully and wholly remain to the use, that for every poor person who being thereafter convicted in the castle or the city of Exeter of any crime, should be adjudged to suffer death, not leaving sufficient to buy a shroud, there should be purchased, out of the rents of the said lands, &c., a shroud, with which his body being covered might be decently buried; and that he was desirous to fulfil his said father's will; granted and confirmed to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, and their successors, all his messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services in Sidbury and Sidford, in the county of Devon, to the use of the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for the fulfilment of the intention of his said father.

In the before-mentioned rental of 1704, the rents received for the property are thus stated:—

<p>Of Sir Peter Prideaux, for a high rent issuing out of a tenement in Sidford, in the parish of Sidbury, which Alderman Izacke enjoyeth - Of Ridgley Ware, for a high rent issuing out of a meadow, in Sidford aforesaid, near unto the bridge there - - - - - Of Robert Mishill, for the high rent of a cottage and meadow adjoining, in Sidford aforesaid, which he holds by lease - - - - -</p>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>£.</td> <td>s.</td> <td>d.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>6</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>—</td> <td>6</td> <td>—</td> </tr> <tr> <td>—</td> <td>5</td> <td>4</td> </tr> </table>	£.	s.	d.	1	6	8	—	6	—	—	5	4
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The amount of these rents is 1*l.* 18*s.*, the same sum as is stated in the donor's will to be the value of his lands and tenements at Sidford, &c.

In the rental of 1738, the tenement for which the rent of 6*s.* is paid, is stated to be “held by lease.”

The only tenement at the present time held by lease under the chamber, is the cottage and meadow, the conventional rent of which was, in 1705, and still is, 5*s.* 4*d.* These premises contain, in the whole, 1*A.* 3*R.* 20*P.*, and are estimated to be of the yearly value of 12*l.* The last lease of them was granted in 1804 to Sarah Hopping, in consideration of a fine of 90*l.*, and is now vested in John Webb Pinn.

The rents of 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and 6*s.* are still paid; the former, as we are informed, in respect of an estate called the Porch House Estate, now or late in the occupation of the tenants of Thomas Jenkins, esq., and the latter in respect of a cottage and orchard, occupied by a tenant of Mrs. Jenkins, the widow of the late Rev. William Jenkins.

It will be observed, that there is a difference in the rental of 1704, in the description of the rents; those of 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and 6*s.* being stated to be high rents, “issuing out of” the premises there mentioned, and that of 5*s.* 4*d.* being described as the high rent of a cottage, &c., “which the tenant held by lease,” from whence it might be inferred, that the two former were then considered as chief rents. But according to the rental of 1738, the rent of 6*s.* was also paid for a tenement “held by lease.” In many of the subsequent rentals, both these rents are denoted by the words C. R. to be chief rents; in some of them only the rent of 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* is so distinguished, and in others neither of the rents are so described. We have not been able to find any trace of leases of any property at Sidford having been granted by the chamber of Exeter, except of the cottage and meadow, the rent of which is 5*s.* 4*d.*

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In answer to applications which have been made for information to the respective possessors of the premises for which the other two rents are paid, we learn that the Porch House estate was conveyed as freehold to Thomas Jenkins, the late uncle of the present possessor; and that the cottage and orchard were in 1799 in the possession of Joan Jenkins, the mother of the late Rev. William Jenkins, when a lease thereof for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, was granted to the latter by the former, who appears to have thus treated them as her own property.

We are not enabled to ascertain from this evidence that the charity has sustained any loss.

The rents and fines have been received by the warden of the poor, and carried to the general account of the charities under his management.

Ringswell is situate near the village of Heavitree, and was the usual place of execution for criminals adjudged to suffer death for offences committed in the county of Devon or city of Exeter, for whom shrouds used to be provided from this gift by the warden of the poor. The expense of them appears to have been 3 s. 6 d. for each person executed.

Of late years, since the erection of a new gaol, the executions have taken place at the gaol, and no shrouds have been since provided from this fund. If the rents and occasional fines are not required for this purpose, we conceive that they ought to be applied to some other object, as nearly approaching that which was pointed out by the donor as existing circumstances will permit.

It might be proper to have the directions of the Court of Chancery upon this point; and the only objection to an application to that Court is the smallness of the income of the charity.

*Elizabeth Buckenam's Gift.*—Elizabeth Buckenam, by her Will, bearing date the 16th of May 1567, reciting, that she had purchased of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, a tenement in the parish of St. Petrock, in the said city, then let to Gilbert Gaywill, by indenture, for the term of his life, at the rent of 53 s. 4 d., and for 21 years after his decease at the rent of 56 s. 8 d., gave the same tenement to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, to the intent to perform her said will; viz. That of the said rent of 53 s. 4 d. there should be yearly distributed, after the death of certain persons therein mentioned, to five poor householders of the parish of St. Lawrence, in Exeter, 13 s. 4 d., as the said mayor and the rest of the 24 should think most meet, to each 8 d., to be paid quarterly; and in like manner 13 s. 4 d. to five poor householders of the parish of St. Paul; 13 s. 4 d. to five poor householders of the parish of Allhallows-on-the-Walls; and 13 s. 4 d. to five poor householders of the parish of the Holy Trinity, in the said city; and she directed, that when the rent of 53 s. 4 d. should increase, after the death of the lessee for life, to 56 s. 8 d., then the overplus of 3 s. 4 d. so increased, should be distributed amongst the poor householders of the parishes aforesaid.

The tenement in the parish of St. Petrock given by this donor, now consists of a house and shop in High-street, let by lease, bearing date the 18th February 1800, in consideration of a fine of 360 l. to Richard Strong, for a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, all of whom are still living, at the yearly rent of 3 l. 1 s. It is in good repair, and is estimated by a surveyor to be of the yearly value of 30 l. Four sums of 14 s. 2 d. each, making up 56 s. 8 d. per annum, the increased rent alluded to by the donor, have been constantly distributed amongst five poor widows, householders, in the parishes mentioned by her, being 2 s. 10 d. to each; but we apprehend that the whole rents and profits of the premises ought to be applied in like manner, either by adding to the number of the objects of the charity, or by increasing the amount of their allowances.

This donation is given away annually, at Christmas. Since Mr. Campion has acted for the warden of the poor, he has appointed the persons to receive it, upon applications made to him, a preference being given to the oldest and most infirm objects. When once appointed, they have usually continued to receive the benefaction annually during their lives.

*Joan Tuckfield's Gift for Bread.*—Joan Tuckfield, widow of John Tuckfield, alderman of the city of Exeter, by her Will, bearing date the 14th of June 1568 (as appears by an ancient copy thereof found amongst the documents of the company of tailors of the city of Exeter), after giving certain donations to the said company of tailors for charitable purposes, which will be a subject of inquiry at a future time, and after reciting that she had purchased of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city of Exeter a tenement lying within the parish of St. Petrock, within the said city, the rent of which was then 3 l. 6 s. 8 d., and also another tenement lying within the parish of St. Stephen, in the said city, the rent of which was 2 l. 13 s. 4 d., to her and her heirs in fee, declared her will and intent to be, that forasmuch as she had a faithful confidence in the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city in the performance of her will, therefore she gave to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, the said two tenements, to the intent to perform and fulfil her will thereafter ensuing; viz. That the rents of the said two tenements, with the appurtenances, or so much in money as the same did amount to, being 6 l. by the year, should be distributed for ever after her decease as follows: first, that in the two weeks next before the feast of Easter and the Nativity of our Lord God, commonly called Christmas-day, there should be given and delivered one hundred dozens of bread to the poor people within the city of Exeter and suburbs of the same, to the sum of 5 l., fifty dozen of bread in the week next before the feast of Easter, and the other fifty dozen of bread in the week next before Christmas-day, for ever; and she declared her will to be, that the baker who should make the same bread, should carry the same, or cause the same to be carried, to the dwelling-houses where the said poor people did remain, and there the same bread to be delivered by the hands or in the presence of the mayor of the said city, the receiver of the same, the three stewards, the town-clerk and the chamberlain, or by three of them at the least; and to the intent that every man should have some portion for his pains-taking in that behalf, she directed that 20 s., being the residue of the rent of 6 l. aforesaid, should be yearly distributed as follows; viz. at each of the said two times the bread should be delivered, to the mayor 2 s. 6 d., to the receiver 12 d., to the three stewards, the town-clerk and chamberlain, 8 d. a piece; to the mayor's chaplain, if present, 6 d.; to the sword-bearer and four serjeants, being present, 4 d. a piece; to the two beadles, being present, 2 d. a piece; and to the baker, for carrying of the same bread, 8 d.

The following is a STATEMENT of the PROPERTY derived - - -

No.	PARISH.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.
1	St. Stephen	William Piper -	A house and shop, nearly opposite St. Stephen's church, in the Fore-street -	{ 19 Nov. 1767 4 Jan. 1803 -
2	Ditto -	Uriah Osborne -	A house and shop in Fore-street, adjoining the foregoing.	-- 7 years from Michaelmas 1816.
3	St. Petrock -	-- Peter Ougier, now Jane Ougier, his widow.	-- A house and shop at the corner of Fore-street and the passage leading to and through Broadgate, and on the west side of the said passage.	9 Nov. 1784 -

The lease to Uriah Osborne, of No. 2, in this Rental, was granted by auction. There is one large cellar extending under the house now in the occupation of Mrs. Ougier (No. 3), and under the adjoining house, of which Mr. Charles Collins is in the receipt of the rents, as a trustee for some of his family, the whole of which cellar is in the occupation of Mr. Collins's tenant. We are informed that this cellar is made with groined arches, and has the appearance of being very ancient, that there is no entrance into it from Mrs. Ougier's house, nor any appearance of there having been any division in it. We think, therefore, that there is no reason to suppose that any part of this cellar is the property of the charity.

We understand that it is proposed by the Commissioners, under an Act for the Improvement of the City of Exeter, to pull down Mrs. Ougier's house, for the purpose of widening the passage to Broadgate. If this is done, the sum paid for it by the Commissioners will be secured to the charity under the provisions of that Act.

In respect of this gift, bread to the amount of 2 *l.* 10 *s.* is distributed in penny loaves at the Guild-hall annually on Christmas eve, and the same quantity on Easter eve, together with other bread, to the amount of 1 *l.* 5 *s.*, provided at each of these times, and paid for by the receiver-general. We are not enabled to state in respect of whose gift the last-mentioned donation of bread is made. The poor persons in the Ten Cells, Hurst's, Palmer's, St. Catherine's, Lethbridge's, and Davye's almshouses, partake of this distribution. Small portions of it are given to the poor prisoners and to the staff-bearers, and the residue is divided amongst the sextons of most of the parishes in the city of Exeter and the suburbs thereof, for distribution amongst the poor of their respective parishes. The division to the parishes is in unequal proportions, according to an old list, which may probably have been originally adapted to the state of the population in each parish. The parishes of St. Kerrian and St. Petrock, the Bedford precinct, and the Close, are not included in this distribution; and it is suggested, that their omission probably arose from their being situate in the centre of the city, where there might be no poor at the time when the quotas were first fixed. It appears to have been the intention of Mrs. Tuckfield that the poor inhabitants in all parts of Exeter and the suburbs should have the benefit of this gift.

We also apprehend that it was her intention that the whole rents and profits of the premises thus given by her for providing bread, should be applied to that purpose, with the exception of the sums directed to be paid as fees to the mayor and other officers of the chamber, and that all the present increased rents and profits ought to be so distributed.

These fees are not paid, and indeed the duties of an inspection of the distribution of the bread at the houses of the poor, in respect of which they were allowed, are not performed.

*Chapman's Gift.*—It is stated in Izacke's MS. Catalogue of Benefactions, that Christian Chapman, widow, of Exe Island, within the county of the city of Exeter, gave freely 5 *l.* of lawful money of England, yearly, to be bestowed among the poor of the same city, as would appear by deed, bearing date the 8th day of March, in the 12th year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, 1570.

A deed bearing this date has been found amongst the documents of the chamber, whereby John Bettie, of Exe Island, for divers good causes and considerations, granted to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, an annuity or annual rent-charge of 5 *l.* issuing out of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments situate within the county of the city of Exeter, which then lately were the hereditaments of one Christian Chapman, widow, deceased.

This rent-charge seems to have been granted, in consequence of an award, dated the 17th of October preceding, made by John Peter and Hugh Pomeroy, to whom certain differences which had arisen between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and the said John Bettie, concerning the right and title to the lands which had been the inheritance of the said Christian Chapman had been referred, by which award it was adjudged, that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should release to the said John Bettie all their title to the said lands, and that the said John Bettie should, before the feast of Easter then next, convey and assure to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty a yearly rent of 5 *l.*

The rent-charge is now paid to the warden of the poor by Mary Anne Dawe, in respect of the lands charged, which are situated in Westgate quarter, in the parish of Saint Edmond, Exeter.

Neither the above-mentioned deed of John Bettie, nor the award in obedience to which that deed was made, specify the trusts of Christian Chapman's gift; but if they are stated correctly in the

extract

- - - - from the above-mentioned Gift of Mrs. Tuckfield.

FINES paid on the last Renewal.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the date of the Lease.	RENT.	Estimated Yearly Value.	REMARKS.
£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
52 10 -	Rev. W. Ellicombe - 22			
220 - -	{ Lessee - - - 25	1 6 8	52 - -	In good repair; much im-
- - -	{ Lucy Bradford - 23			proved by the lessee.
- - -	- - - - -	62 - -	Good rent	-- Old buildings requiring
				much repair. The chamber
				covenant to repair under
				the existing lease.
52 - -	Jane Ougier, wife of lessee	3 6 8	20 - -	Old buildings in very bad
				repair,

extract from Izacke, the rent-charge ought to be bestowed by the chamber upon poor persons of the city of Exeter. As far as we can trace this gift, no specific distribution of it has been made; but it has always hitherto been received by the warden of the poor, and carried to his general account.

We proceed now to show the state of the accounts between the chamber of Exeter, and the above-mentioned charities under the management of the warden of the poor. We have already observed that the accounts of the wardens of the poor are complete from 1764 to the present time. With the exception of the interest upon the sums of 400 *l.* and 30 *l.* payable by the chamber, which (as has been already stated in the account of the Ten Cells) has not been paid since 1775, the receipts both of annual income and occasional fines appear to have been regular till 1793; but from that year to 1801 inclusive, the following fines for renewals of leases, which ought to have been received by the respective wardens of the poor, were incorrectly carried to the account of the receiver-general:—

	£. s. d.
1793. From Hurst's Gift - - - - -	367 10 -
1796. Ditto - - - - -	84 - -
1798. From Heyth's Gift to the Ten Cells - - - - -	52 10 -
1799. From Grendon's Gift to ditto (part of a fine of 420 <i>l.</i> of which the residue arose from Herne's Gift, and was therefore the property of the chamber) - - - - -	185 - -
1800. From Elizabeth Buckenam's Gift - - - - -	360 - -
— From Palmer's Gift - - - - -	125 - -
1801. From Hurst's Gift - - - - -	60 - -
Making a Total of - - - £.	1,234 - -

A similar irregularity occurred with respect to the rents of the Bristol Inn, part of Hurst's gift, from the time of its falling into hand, in 1795, to the separation of the offices of warden of the poor and receiver-general in 1809. During this period the said rents, to the amount of 591 *l.* 3 *s.* were also carried to the account of the receiver-general. Since 1809, these rents have been received by the warden of the poor.

In the year 1810, a sum of 200 *l.* was advanced, in consequence of an order of chamber, by the warden of the poor to the receiver-general, for which interest has been since paid by the latter officer to the former, at 4 per cent.

We apprehend that the total of the three sums above mentioned, of 1,234 *l.*, 591 *l.* 3 *s.* and 200 *l.* amounting to 2,025 *l.* 3 *s.* ought to be considered as a debt due from the chamber to these united charities.

There are also other demands, which, upon a general settlement of accounts, we conceive that these charities would be entitled to make against the chamber, but these may be met by claims for allowances on the part of the latter, which we are inclined to think will nearly balance the account.

These claims on the part of the charities consist of—1st, the interest of the before-mentioned sums of 400 *l.* and 30 *l.* at 21 *l.* 16 *s.* per annum, the amount which had been paid by the receiver previously to 1775. From Michaelmas 1775 to Michaelmas 1820, these arrears of interest amount to 981 *l.*

2dly. A variety of sums which, since the separation of the offices of receiver-general and warden of the poor in 1809, have been, as we conceive, incorrectly charged under the sanction of the chamber to the account of the latter, instead of that of the former. Previously to that time the expenditure in respect of these united charities consisted of the several payments to the almshouses, and for the other objects which we have noticed under the head of each charity, together with the expenses of repairs, and other necessary matters relating to the almshouses at Exeter, which are at present in good repair.



The sums to which we allude, as incorrectly paid, are as follow :—

For gowns and shifts furnished to the poor widows in the Ten Cells, in respect of the gift of Joan Tuckfield, which will be hereafter mentioned, from 1809 to 1820	£. s. d. 111 - 8
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For the annual sum of 2 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> also paid to the Ten Cells, of which 5 <i>s.</i> arises, as we conjecture, from the same gift of Joan Tuckfield, and the remaining 2 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> from the gift of David Hensley, also hereafter mentioned, during the same period	28 8 4
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The two charitable gifts above mentioned were intrusted to the chamber by the respective donors, but the funds in respect of which they are payable have never been under the care of the warden of the poor, and previously to 1809, the payments in respect of them were made by the receiver-general.

For an annual sum of 20 <i>l.</i> paid as the interest of money due to the parish of St. Sidwell, in the county of Exeter, from 1813 to 1820	140 - -
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The manner in which this debt to the parish of St. Sidwell arose, will be a subject for future inquiry amongst the charities of that parish. It is not charged upon any property under the care of the warden of the poor, and till 1813 the interest was paid by the receiver-general.

For bannister money paid by the inspector of the poor, on account of the mayors for the time being, from 1813 to the present time, and repaid to the inspector by the warden of the poor	284 5 3
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The term "bannister money" is explained to mean relief given to poor persons travelling through the city, by the inspector of the poor, under the direction of the mayor. We are not enabled to state in what manner this payment originated, or how far the chamber are properly liable to it, but there is no ground for charging it upon the funds under the care of the warden of the poor. Previously to 1813 it was paid by the receiver-general.

For sums paid to the receiver-general by order of the chamber in 1818 and 1819, for bread and other necessities for the prisoners in the city gaol and house of correction	350 - -
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The expense for maintaining these prisoners has for a great length of time been borne by the chamber, and under a late Act of Parliament they consented to provide for this charge out of the estates, &c. in their hands. But we apprehend that these sums ought to have been sustained by the general funds of the chamber, and not from those now under consideration.

	913 14 3
Add the above-mentioned arrears of interest of 400 <i>l.</i> and 30 <i>l.</i>	981 - -
	£. 1,894 14 3

In this statement we have not included several sums, amounting to 210*l.*, paid by order of the chamber, and charged to the warden of the poor's account from 1813 to the present time, for subscriptions to the Devon and Exeter hospital, and for other public purposes; and other sums amounting to 196*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*, the amount of annuities paid, during the same period, to Mr. Bate and Mr. Balle, two members of the chamber, who were in decayed circumstances, during their lives, and to their widows, including also a weekly allowance for a short time in 1813, to Robert Bidwell, an old servant of the chamber. Although these sums do not appear to be correctly charged to the account of the warden, yet as the amount of them has been applied for charitable purposes, and chiefly for the benefit of poor persons of Exeter, as there are no other funds in the hands of the chamber from which, as in other instances above-mentioned, they ought to have been paid, and as it is stated on the part of the chamber, that they have supposed themselves to have a general discretionary power of disposing of the funds of the warden of the poor for charitable purposes, it may perhaps be reasonable that these sums should not be brought into the account against them. This notion of a general discretionary power in the chamber is clearly erroneous. They appear indeed to have a discretion as to the mode of distributing the rent-charge of 5*l.* received under Christian Chapman's gift; and we have already stated, that in our view of Herne's gift, the surplus rents and profits of the lands purchased therewith beyond the specific charges, are at their disposal, and credit is therefore given to the chamber for such surplus in the following statement of the claims, which we conceive ought, upon a general settlement of accounts, to be allowed to them, in answer to those which we have stated in favour of the charities :—

Upon an examination of the annual accounts of the wardens of the poor, from 1764 to 1809 inclusive, we find that upon those accounts, as entered without reference to the omission of the sums which ought to have been received for interest and fines, and the rent of the Bristol Inn, there is a balance in favour of the chamber of	£. s. d. 166 9 10
The balance of the rents of the lands and houses purchased with Herne's gift, from 1764 to 1820, beyond the specific charges, is	380 6 8
The fines from the same lands and houses, which have been carried to the account of the warden of the poor, amount to	704 - -

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The bell money, which from 1769 to 1820 inclusive, has been divided between Hurst's and Palmer's almshouses, as before-mentioned, and which was a voluntary gift of the chamber, at 10 <i>l.</i> per annum, amounts to	£.	s.	d.
A bill was paid by the receiver-general in 1811 for repairs done to the almshouses, under the care of the warden of the poor, which ought therefore to have been paid by the latter, amounting to	520	-	-
The expenses of a committee of the chamber at Teignmouth in 1797, appointed to view the estate there of Heyth's gift, is also charged in the receiver-general's account, amounting to	29	9	1
	3	3	6
	£.	1,803	9 1

It is not improbable, that in other instances expenses of surveying and letting the lands of these charities may have been paid from the general funds of the chamber, which might have been charged to the account of the charities, and therefore it appears to us that it may be fair towards the chamber, and beneficial to the charities, to consider the accounts between them balanced, with the exception of the sums of 400 *l.* and 30 *l.* in respect of which interest has been so long paid, and ought still to be paid, unless the chamber think proper to invest the same in the public funds to the account of the charities entitled to the interest, and also with the exception of the sum of 2,025 *l.* 3*s.* mentioned above, as being due from the chamber for fines, rents and money advanced.

We conceive that this last-mentioned sum ought to be paid by the chamber, invested in the public funds, and apportioned amongst the charities. Part of this sum, arising from the rents of the Bristol Inn, amounting to 591 *l.* 3*s.* may be considered as belonging to Hurst's charity, and the residue ought, as appears to us, to be divided amongst the charities, as nearly as may be, in such proportions as they would have received, if separate accounts of them had been kept, and if the fines paid for renewals had been regularly carried to the account of each charity respectively.

It is highly desirable that in future separate accounts of these charities should be kept, and it is also a subject for the consideration of the chamber, whether it may not be beneficial to place the almshouses under the care of distinct curators, in the same manner as the others, which will be mentioned in subsequent parts of this Report. It is also expedient that this separation of the accounts should be accompanied by an annual audit at some fixed time of the year. The audits since 1809 have not been regularly observed. From 1809 to 1816, the office of warden of the poor was held by Mr. Worthy. His accounts for the whole of this time were not audited till June 1816. The accounts of Mr. Upham, who succeeded him, were audited in January 1817, March 1818, and May 1819. They have also been made up, but not audited, to January 1820, when there was a balance due to the charities from the warden of 27 *l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* Upon the accounts as entered to the time of our investigation in June 1821, the balance was in favour of the warden, but the conventional rents due to Michaelmas 1820, were not then inserted in the accounts, part of them not having been received. During the time that Mr. Campion has acted for the warden of the poor, he has been allowed 10 guineas a year from the funds of these charities. This may not be more than a sufficient compensation for the trouble of paying the alms-people and other poor persons, keeping the accounts, &c., but no such allowance had been previously made.

*Joan Tuckfield's Gift for Gowns and Shifts.*—Joan Tuckfield (whose gift for providing bread has been already mentioned amongst the charities under the management of the warden of the poor) by deed of feoffment bearing date 31st August, 10th Elizabeth, 1567, granted to Thomas Ryседon and eleven others, four of whom are stated to be aldermen of Exeter, and their heirs, two tenements with shops, lying within the parish of St. Martin, in the city of Exeter, then or lately in the separate tenures of Thomas Skidmore and Thomas Spicer, near the Broad Gate, to such uses and intents as appeared in a schedule thereunto annexed.

By that schedule the said Joan Tuckfield declared, that the meaning, intent and purpose of the said feoffment was, that the said feoffees should stand seized of the said premises to the use of herself for life, and that after her decease they should receive the rents and profits thereof, and therewith should cause to be delivered to 12 poor women within the city and county of Exeter, yearly, against Christmas, 12 frocks of frieze, apt and meet for their bodies; and yearly, against Easter, 12 smocks, of new linen cloth, to be made and delivered to the same 12 women, or to such other like within the said city and county, at the discretion of the said feoffees; and that the said feoffees should yearly, at the feasts of the Ascension, Pentecost, Midsummer, the Nativity of our Lady, and All Saints, distribute of the rents and profits aforesaid, 12 *d.* to 12 poor women of the said city, by the discretion of the said feoffees: viz., to every of the said poor women, on every of the said five feasts, one penny; and reciting, that the said Joan Tuckfield by her will had given and assigned to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, the master and wardens of the company of tailors in the said city, and the governor, treasurer and consults of the merchant venturers of the said city, 300 *l.* for such uses as in the same will appeared, and had directed that the mayor for the time being should have yearly 5*s.*, and the receiver, the master and warden of the company of tailors, the governor and treasurer of the merchant venturers, 3*s.* a piece, declared her will to be, that her said feoffees, with the rents and profits of the premises remaining in surplusage over and above the performing of the purposes therein contained, should yearly, on the 20th of July, pay to the said mayor and others the said several sums of money according to her will; and that on the 20th of October yearly, or if that should happen to be Sunday, on the next day, the mayor for the time being, with the receiver, bailiffs and town-clerk of the said city, should have power and authority to call before them the said feoffees and their heirs to account for the employment of the rents and profits by them received for the year past, and should pay to the said mayor, for his pains in the said account, 5*s.*; and to each of his said officers, 12 *d.*; and to the sword-bearer and sergeants, 4 *d.* each; and to the common box of the city, 20 *d.*; and allow each of the said feoffees for making the said account, 12 *d.*; and she directed that the portion of every of the said officers and feoffees that should

not attend at the said account, with all other the overplus of the said rents and profits that should remain unbestowed, should be from time to time distributed among the poor people of the said city, and to other uses necessary for the performance of her will, as her feoffees should think good, whereof they should be accountable from time to time to the mayor and other officers before-mentioned; and she desired, that when there should not be more than four or five of her feoffees left alive, that they should enfeof other honest men of the said premises.

By deed of feoffment dated 22d of December, in the 39th of Elizabeth, John Periam and others, as the feoffees of the afore-mentioned premises, under a feoffment from the surviving feoffees of the said Joan Tuckfield's deed, conveyed the said premises to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, to the intents and purposes contained in the above-mentioned schedule to the deed of the said Joan Tuckfield.

It appears from an indenture dated 20th April, 1st of Queen Mary, that these premises were purchased by John Tuckfield, the husband of the said Joan, of one William Willesford, and they are described in that conveyance as situate between the churchyard of the cathedral church of St. Peter's in Exeter, lying on the south part, and the High-street of the said city lying on the north part, and the lane leading from the said High-street to the said churchyard, lying on the west, and the tenement of one William Tothill and John Willisford, lying on the east part.

One of these houses is situate at the corner of Fore-street and the passage leading to Broadgate; the other is immediately behind it, the entrance being under the arch of Broadgate. There are some buildings in front of the latter, towards the cathedral yard, which are held under the dean and chapter of Exeter. The houses of the charity were let by the chamber on leases for 99 years, determinable on lives, till the year 1812, when the first-mentioned tenement was leased to Mr. Charles Upham, in consideration of the sum of 400*l.* for a term of 1,000 years, at a nominal rent; and the last-mentioned tenement was, in consideration of 130*l.* leased in like manner to Mr. — Taylor. It is stated to us, that the two tenements would now produce a clear rack-rent of 60*l.* per annum. We conceive that the chamber had no authority thus to dispose of this property, and we think it is expedient that they should, without loss of time, take measures for repurchasing the interest of the lessees out of their own funds, in the same manner as we have already stated that they have done with respect to a tenement in Paris-street, given by Dr. Vilwayne to St. John's Hospital.

It has been already stated in that part of our Report which treats of the charities under the management of the warden of the poor, that ten gowns and as many shifts have been annually given in respect of this gift, to the poor women in the Ten Cells; but it will be observed, that by the deed of donation, 12 of each of these articles of dress is the number which ought to be distributed, and we think that the chamber, without taking from the almswomen of the Ten Cells the benefit of this annual distribution, should bestow the two remaining gowns and shifts upon other deserving objects of the city or county of the city of Exeter. The annual sum of 5*s.* directed by the donor to be paid to the 12 poor women at the five feasts mentioned by her, is also paid to the women of the Ten Cells, as has been before noticed.

Till the year 1809, these articles were provided, and this annual sum paid by the receiver-general of the chamber, but they have been since improperly charged to the account of the warden of the poor. When the above-mentioned houses were let on leases, determinable on lives, the conventional rents being 8*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.* per annum, were not sufficient for providing the gowns and shifts which were given to the Ten Cells; but we do not find that any separate account was kept of the fines received for the renewals of such leases, nor any appropriation made of the surplus of those fines for charitable purposes.

As soon as the property shall be revested in the chamber, we conceive that it will be their duty to let the premises for the most advantageous terms, at rack-rent, and to distribute whatever surplus may rise, after providing the prescribed number of gowns and shifts, and paying the annual sum of 5*s.* among the poor of the city of Exeter.

*Hensley's Gift to the Parish of Kenn, and additional Gift to the Ten Cells.*—By Indenture, bearing date 6th March 1587, made between John Haydon, of Cadehay, in the parish of Ottery St. Mary, esq. and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, reciting a lease from Thomas Imden and Silvester West, of a dwelling-house in the parish of St. Olave, in Exeter, to the said John Haydon, for 50 years, from Michaelmas, in the 28th of Elizabeth, at the rent of 36*s.*, and reciting another lease, dated 24th March, 2d Elizabeth, from the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, to the said John Haydon, of a close in the parish of St. David, to the said John Haydon, for 99 years, determinable on lives, at the rent of 20*s.*: the said John Haydon, for divers good causes and considerations, granted and assigned to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, the said leasehold premises; and covenanted with them that the said dwelling-house was of the clear yearly value of 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and so should remain during the residue of the term; and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in consideration of the said assignment, and of the sum of 20*l.* to them paid by the said John Haydon, covenanted with him, that they would yearly, for ever, by the hands of the receiver of the said city for the time being, pay to the churchwardens of the parish of Kenn, in the county of Devon, on the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, 24*s.*, to the intent that the churchwardens might therewith buy 24 dozen of bread, and divide the same amongst the poor inhabitants and householders of the said parish of Kenn, by the discretion of two of the eldest and most sufficient of the eight men of the said parish; and that the said receiver should likewise pay to the churchwardens of the said parish, on the Sunday next before Easter, 24*s.*, to the intent that they should, at the like discretion, divide the same amongst the poor inhabitants of the said parish, deducting out of the said sum of forty-eight shillings, 3*s.* 4*d.*, 2*s.* for the churchwardens, and 1*s.* 4*d.* for the said two eldest men; and further, that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty would yearly, for ever, pay to ten such poor men and women as should dwell in the alms-house called the Ten Cells, in the said city, 46*s.* 8*d.*, to each of them yearly, 4*s.* 8*d.*; the said sums to be paid according to the will of David Hensley, clerk, late parson of Kenn, deceased, and in discharge of a certain trust in the said John Haydon and Jeffrey Tothill, deceased, executors of the said David reposed, and which at their discretion, by the will, was appointed to have continuance to



to make provision for the said poor people; and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty also covenanted to indemnify the said John Haydon against any charges that might be made upon him by the parishioners of Kenn, or the inhabitants of the Ten Cells, as executor of the will of the said David Hensley, concerning the distributions before specified, which were according to the will of the said David.

The annual sum of 2*l.* 8*s.* is annually paid by the receiver-general of the chamber to the churchwardens of Kenn, for the purposes stated in the above-mentioned indenture.

We have already noticed the gift of 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to the Ten Cells, in the account of that almshouse, as having been incorrectly, since the separation of the offices of receiver-general and warden of the poor in 1809, paid by the latter.

We apprehend, that the chamber are liable to this payment under the above-mentioned covenant, and that it ought in future to be made from their general funds.

*Bonville's Almshouses, and Lant's Almshouses.*—By a written statement found amongst the documents of the chamber of Exeter, which appears to have been drawn about the year 1760, and which is understood to be in the hand-writing of Mr. Benjamin Heath, then town clerk of this city, we are informed that Sir William Bonville, knight, by his will, bearing date 18 April 1408, gave 300 marks to amortize lands of the value of 50 marks per annum for the endowment of an hospital, situate in the Combe-rowe, or Combe-street, in the city of Exon, for 12 poor men and women, to be there maintained for ever, and that he gave all his rents in Exon, except his own mansion-house, to the same uses. That these almshouses were accordingly founded, and that the patronage and right of nomination of the poor to be maintained therein, descended to the founder's grandson, William Lord Bonville, and from him to his daughter Cecily, married to Thomas Grey, Marquis of Dorset, whose grandson, Henry Grey, Marquis of Dorset and Duke of Suffolk, was in 1 Queen Mary attainted of high treason and beheaded; and all his lands, with the right of patronage and nomination of the poor to the above-mentioned almshouses, forfeited to the Crown. That Queen Elizabeth, by her letters patent, dated 7th November, in the fourth year of her reign, granted to the mayor and aldermen of Exeter the right of nomination of the poor of the said almshouses, on failure of the Crown's nomination, within two months after each vacancy. That this right was exercised by the said mayor and aldermen, with few interpositions from the Crown, as long as the said almshouses subsisted. That the reserved rents, payable for the use of these almshouses, which amounted yearly to 21*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* were, till about the year 1700, collected by the receiver of the Crown rents, and by him paid over to the mayor and aldermen for the use of the poor. That after that time, they were collected by one of the aldermen, who gave receipts to the landowners for some years, until the almshouses, having fallen to the ground, payment of the rents was refused. That the pay of the twelve almspeople was 7*d.* each per week, amounting to 18*l.* 4*s.* a year; and that the remaining 3*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* had not been found sufficient to keep the said almshouses in repair, so that they have gradually decayed. From another paper, it appears that the expenses of collecting the rents was 2*l.*, so that there only remained for repairs, 1*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* That the lands out of which these rents were reserved, were Floyer's Hayes, Great Linch, the Barton of Cowley, the Manor of Roughorne, and some tenements in Rock's-lane, Exeter, all of which had been granted by letters patent from Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth, to individuals, as parts of the forfeited lands of the above-mentioned Duke of Suffolk.

The account of Sir William Bonville's gift, in Izacke's MS. Catalogue of Benefactions, is to the same effect as the said written statement; and the letters patent of Queen Elizabeth, whereby the right of nomination of the almspeople was granted to the mayor and aldermen, are there set out.

From other papers found amongst the documents of the chamber, we learn, that in 1698, an order of the King in council was obtained (in consequence of a petition from the mayor and aldermen of Exeter, and a report of the Attorney-General upon that petition), authorizing the said mayor and aldermen to remove the said almshouses, which had been for a long time ruinous and in decay, and then in part fallen down, and the site of which was considered very proper for a serge market, to some other convenient place in the city.

Nothing further appears to have been done in pursuance of this order of council; and in the year 1735 we find, that another petition to the King was prepared from the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, praying for a grant from his Majesty of the land on which the almshouses had formerly stood, in order to rebuild the same, and also for a grant of the arrears of the above-mentioned rents then due, amounting to 51*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*, and a proper power to receive the same, and to enforce payment thereof, to be applied towards rebuilding the said almshouses, and also a power to receive and apply the accruing rents to the said almshouses; in consideration of which the petitioners offered to oblige themselves to rebuild the said almshouses, and to pay to each almshouse an additional sum of 6*d.* weekly beyond Sir William Bonville's endowment. We have not been able to ascertain whether this petition was presented to the King, or whether any further measures were taken.

In the above-mentioned written statement, the amount of the arrears of the rents, to Lady-day 1759, is mentioned to be 1,074*l.* 1*s.*; but we cannot find that any grant of them was ever obtained from the Crown, nor any such rents subsequently received by the chamber.

By indenture of bargain and sale, enrolled, bearing date 20th May 1675, between Richard Lant, of Kingston-upon-Thames, in the county of Surrey, esquire, of the one part; and Christopher Brodridge, esquire, then mayor of Exeter, and seven others, aldermen of the said city, of the other part; the said Richard Lant, in consideration of the sum of 10*s.*, and of the trusts thereafter declared, granted to the parties of the second part, a messuage or tenement, commonly called New-house, otherwise Stevenson's farm, in Duntish, in the parish of Buckland, in the county of Dorset, and several closes of land therein specified, containing in the whole, by estimation, 71 acres, then let at the yearly rent of 50*l.*, upon trust to dispose and employ the clear rents, issues and profits thereof, over and above all necessary charges, for the increase and better relief, maintenance and support of the several poor people that should inhabit in the two several almshouses in the parish of St. Mary Major and St. Mary More, within the said city, one of them, called the Ten Cells, or Grendon's almshouses, lying in Preston-street, founded by Simon Grendon for the poor people or widows, to be elected by the mayor and 24 of the common council of the said city; and the other, founded by Sir William Bonville, for twelve poor people in twelve almshouses, to be nominated by the mayor and aldermen of the said city, in the street called Combe-rowe or Rock's-lane, and called Bonville's

Almshouses, the said rents and profits to be distributed to and amongst the several poor people of the said several almshouses, from time to time, by the order and direction of the said mayor and common council of the said city for the time being, in such proportions, and weekly or monthly, as they should think the said almspeople should have most need; and for the perpetual continuance of the said charitable uses, he directed that the warden of the poor of the said city for the time being, should make a yearly account, on parchment, of the rents, issues and profits of the premises, and of the distribution and employment thereof, upon the said trusts, before the mayor and common council for the time being, within one month after Michaelmas yearly, which being approved of by them, was to be kept among the records of the said city; and that for managing the premises, and keeping the said account, the town clerk should have, out of the rents and profits, 20 s. yearly, to be allowed in the said account; and that when all the trustees but three should be dead, the survivors, or at any time before that the said trustees should think fit, for the perpetual continuance of the said trust, should convey the said premises to the then mayor and aldermen of the said city for the time being, in their natural capacity, and their heirs, upon the same trusts as were before declared, and so from time to time for ever.

The written statement before noticed mentions, that the chamber of Exeter, from the time of Mr. Lant's grant, applied the income of the estate given by him in an additional pay to the poor of the two almshouses specified by him, nearly in equal proportions, till upon the falling down of Bonville's almshouses, there being no poor to receive that share of the income, they discontinued the payment of the proportion allotted to them, which had been accumulated and placed out at interest in the public funds.

From an entry in the minute book of the chamber, it appears, that on the 6th February 1759, a committee was appointed to view the site of Bonville's almshouses, and to consider of the proper method of rebuilding the same, if found practicable, with power to contract with workmen for the same.

By certain articles of agreement, bearing date the 26th July 1763, made between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter of the one part; and James Crossing, esquire, the then mayor of the said city of Exeter, and John Newcombe, Francis Brayne, John Manley, Lewis Portbury, William Trosse, Nicholas Arthur, Joseph Elliott and Richard Densham, esquires, feoffees of the charitable foundation of Richard Lant, of the other part; reciting the before-mentioned indenture of the 20th May 1675, and reciting, that the almshouses called Bonville's almshouses, did about the year 1708, for want of a sufficient provision for the repairs thereof in the original foundation of that charity, become ruinous and in decay, so as to fall to the ground, and so as no poor people did or could inhabit therein; and that the feoffees for the time being, under the said indenture, not having it in their power any longer to apply that part of the rents and profits of the lands thereby conveyed, which had been usually appropriated to the poor almspeople inhabiting therein, as there were no longer any such to be found, did for the preservation thereof, and till a more favourable opportunity should present itself, pay over the surplus of the said rents and profits, over and above the proportion thereof which had been usually paid to the ten poor people or widows inhabiting in Grendon's almshouses, to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, from time to time, upon their undertaking to repay the same with interest, after the rate of four per cent, when demanded by the feoffees; and reciting, that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, at divers times had laid out part of the said surplus in the purchase of 500*l.* stock in the Old South Sea Annuities, in the names of the persons therein mentioned, with the approbation of the feoffees for the time being, in order that the same might be ready when an occasion should offer for applying the same, and might produce in the mean time a yearly income; and reciting, that the fee simple and inheritance of the lands in the said indenture comprised, was then vested in the said James Crossing and others of the second part; and that by an account made up and stated to the 25th March, before the date of the said articles between the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and the said feoffees, it appeared that the balance then in the hands of the former, as well of the said surplus of the said rents and profits, as of the interest due thereon, amounted to the sum of 1,245*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* over and above the 500*l.* Old South Sea Annuities, and the dividends due thereon; and also over and above the balance which might be then in the hands of Joseph Elliott, esquire, party thereto, who for some few years had received the rents of the said lands, and paid the usual proportions thereof to the widows in Grendon's almshouses, whose account was not then adjusted; and reciting, that the proportion of the income of the charitable foundation of the said Richard Lant, which had been allotted and paid to the said ten widows in Grendon's almshouses, together with the other payments and advantages accruing to them from the original foundation of, and other benefactions to, the said almshouses, was judged, as well by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, as the said feoffees, to be sufficient for their comfortable support and maintenance, and that there appeared no reasonable ground to hope that the almshouses in the street called the Combe-rowe or Rock's-lane, formerly known by the name of Bonville's almshouses, would be re-edified, the site thereof being the lands of the King's Majesty, and such quantities of rubbish having been from time to time accumulated there, that the expense of removing it would make a considerable part of the sum necessary towards rebuilding the same, and consequently diminish in proportion the charitable allotment to such poor persons as should thereafter inhabit therein; all which expense would be saved, if twelve other almshouses were built in some other convenient and vacant plot of ground in the said city, and such savings might be applied as well to the future repairs thereof as also towards the better maintenance and support of the poor persons inhabiting therein; and reciting, that it had been proposed by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and agreed by the said feoffees, that the said 500*l.* Old South Sea Annuities should be forthwith sold, and that out of the net produce thereof, and of the dividends thereon due, and out of the balance then in the hands of the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and out of the rents and profits then in the hands of the said Joseph Elliott, twelve new almshouses should be erected within the said city, to be called by the name of Lant's almshouses, for the habitation of twelve poor people, to be from time to time nominated by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city for the time being, and that after the said almshouses should be completed, an account should be taken of the residue of the monies then due and belonging to the said foundation of the said Richard Lant, and that the same should be disposed of for the support of the poor people in the said newly erected almshouses, in manner thereafter mentioned: It was covenanted and agreed by the said parties, that the trustees of the said Old South Sea Annuities should sell the same,

same, and pay over the net produce thereof, with the dividends due thereon, to the receiver of the said city, to be by him employed under the direction of the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in building the said twelve intended almshouses; that the said Joseph Elliott should, within one month after the date thereof, make up an account of the rents and profits received by him, and pay over the balance which appeared to be in his hands to the said receiver, to be employed in like manner; that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should, within fourteen days after the date thereof, sell, transfer and assign, by proper conveyances, unto the said feoffees and their heirs, a vacant plot of ground adjoining to the north gate of the said city, and to that part of the barbican of the city walls which extended from the said north gate towards Saint Bartholomew's burying-place, for the erection of the said intended almshouses, and should retain out of the monies in which they were indebted to the said charity, such reasonable price as should be agreed on between them and the said feoffees; and that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should, within six months from the date thereof, out of the said monies to be paid to the receiver, and also out of the monies in which they were indebted to the said charity, if need should be, cause to be built on the said vacant plot of ground twelve good and substantial almshouses, for the reception of twelve poor people, to be nominated by the said mayor and aldermen; and that as soon as the same should be completed, they should make out and settle an account with the said feoffees of the monies remaining in their hands, after deducting the expense of the said building and the price of the said plot of ground, and should, as soon as conveniently might be, lay out whatever sum should appear to be due upon the account so settled, with the approbation of the said feoffees, in the purchase of lands and tenements of inheritance in the county of the city of Exeter, or the county of Devon, so that the said tenements should not be dwelling-houses other than farm-houses with lands annexed to the yearly value of 20*l.*, and should cause the said lands and tenements so purchased to be conveyed to the said feoffees, upon the trusts in the said indenture of the said Richard Lant before mentioned; that after the settling the said account and until the said purchase could be made, the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should enter into a bond for the payment of the amount of the said balance, with interest at four per cent., and pay the said interest accordingly, to be applied for the support of the poor people in the said almshouses, and towards the necessary repairs thereof; and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, thereby charged all their lands and tenements, goods and chattels, with the payment of the sum which should appear to be due upon the balance of the said account, and agreed, upon request from the said feoffees, to convey all or any such their lands, goods and chattels, with proviso, for the redemption thereof, upon payment of such balance, with interest, at the rate aforesaid; and lastly, the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty covenanted and agreed with the said feoffees to indemnify them from all actions, losses, &c. which might happen to them by reason of the said articles.

The site of Bonville's almshouse is stated to be now in the possession of individuals; but as it appears to have been, at the time of making the above-mentioned articles, the property of the Crown, and as we do not find that there has been any subsequent appropriation of it to the purposes of the charity, we have not thought it necessary to make any further inquiry into this point. Jenkins, in his *History of Exeter*, published in 1806, says, that Colonel Newton, in 1770, obtained from the Crown a grant of this site, and converted it into a garden.

From several accounts produced to us relating to the building of Lant's almshouses in 1763 and 1764, it appears that the net produce of the sale of the before-mentioned Old South Sea Annuities, with the dividends due thereon, was 479*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* which sum was paid over to Mr. Hill, the receiver of the chamber, who also received, by order of the chamber, from James Crossing, esquire, the sum of 132*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* being a balance which had been paid by Mr. Alderman Lee, a former curator of this charity, and the sum of 100*l.* from Mr. Alderman Elliott, then curator thereof, and also a small sum of 2*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* for stones. These receipts amounted to 714*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* The expenses of the building amounted to 746*l.* 4*s.* 7½*d.* leaving a balance due to Mr. Hill of 31*l.* 10*s.* 2½*d.*, which upon the audit of this account was directed to be carried to the credit of Mr. Hill, in his general account.

In a book of accounts kept by the curators of this charity, from 1755 to the present time, there is a memorandum, that on settling the accounts in 1764, the chamber made themselves debtors to it 1,000*l.*, for which they agreed to pay 4*l.* per cent. interest. We have not found any statement of this settlement of accounts, but we are inclined to think that Mr. Alderman Lee's balance of 132*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* paid to Mr. Hill, as above-mentioned, formed a part of the sum of 1,245*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* stated in the agreement of 1763 to be due from the chamber, and the residue beyond the said 1,000*l.* being 112*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* was probably retained by them, partly to make good the balance of 31*l.* 10*s.* 2½*d.* due to Mr. Hill on the building account, and partly as the price of the site of the almshouses, according to the provisions of the said agreement.

In 1765, the sum of 40*l.* was received by the curator from the chamber as the interest of the said 1,000*l.*, but no security appears to have been ever given for it. No renewal of the feoffees has taken place since the building of the almshouses.

The estate in the parish of Buckland, in the county of Dorset, held under the gift of Mr. Lant, consists of several closes of land and a small orchard, containing in the whole 68 A. 1 R. 1 P. with a right of common thereto belonging, and is let by private contract to John Gray (whose family have been tenants of it many years) for 7 or 14 years from Lady-day 1818, at the yearly rent of 110*l.*

There is no house upon the farm; and from a memorandum in the account book, dated in 1759, it appears that the house had been let down before that time.—The rent has progressively increased as follows:

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
In 1755 it was	-	-	45	-	In 1790 it was	-	70
1757	-	-	50	-	1804	-	120
1767	-	-	55	-			

At the time of the last letting in 1818, it was thought reasonable by the chamber, upon the application of the tenant, to reduce the rent to its present amount. The farm was viewed in 1811 by two members of the chamber, assisted by a surveyor. It is stated that there is very little timber upon it.

Mr. Elliott continued to hold the office of curator of this charity from the time of building Lant's almshouses till 1801, when there was a balance due from him to the charity of 265*l.* 4*s.* 9½*d.* This sum was paid to his successor in that office, Mr. Reuben Phillips, on the 22d of May 1802; and on the

the same day the sum of 260*l.* was advanced by the latter gentleman to the chamber by their order, for which they agreed to pay four per cent. from the Lady-day preceding.

At the commencement of our inquiry, there was an arrear of interest due on this sum, and on the before-mentioned sum of 1,000*l.* from 1817; but all interest has since been paid to the curator to Lady-day 1821.

The annual income of the charity arising from the above-mentioned rent and interest, amounts to 160*l.* 8*s.* per annum; to which may be added the dividends of 200*l.* Navy Five per Cents., lately purchased in the name of trustees, as hereinafter mentioned.

The almshouses were built upon the site mentioned in the Articles of 1763, and are in good repair. They consist of twelve dwellings, inhabited by as many almsmen, married or single, generally old and decayed tradesmen, appointed, as vacancies occur, by the mayor, with the magistrates or aldermen of Exeter. When a married almsman has died leaving a widow, it has been considered necessary that she should remove from the almshouse; but as Sir William Bonville's almshouses, upon which Mr. Lant's charity was engrafted, were originally founded for poor women as well as men, and as, by the agreement of 1763, the present almshouses were built for the reception of poor people, there appears to be no reason why such widow, if thought by the mayor and magistrates a proper object, should not be appointed in the place of her deceased husband.

The weekly pay to the almspeople upon the building of these almshouses was 2*s.*, which in 1770 was raised to 2*s.* 6*d.*, in 1804 to 3*s.*, and in 1817 to 3*s.* 6*d.*

The particulars relating to the almshouses called the Ten Cells, or Grendon's Almshouses, to which Mr. Lant directed that a portion of his benefaction should be applied, have been stated in another part of the present Report. The inhabitants of them received from this charity, previously to the agreement of 1768, and from that time till 1807, 1*l.* 10*s.* per lunar month. Since 1807 they have received 2*l.* per month, being 1*s.* per week to each of them. A discretion was given by Mr. Lant to the mayor and common council, as to the proportions in which his gift should be distributed to the poor persons in the two almshouses mentioned by him; and as there are other funds applicable to the support of the Ten Cells, it is thought beneficial to apply a large proportion of this gift to the maintenance of Lant's almshouses, which were built in lieu of Bonville's. In 1807, in consequence of there being a balance in the hands of the curator of the charity, a donation was made of eight bushels of coals to each of the almspeople in the two above-mentioned almshouses, and the same allowance has been continued to the present time.

The following is a summary of the annual expenditure of this charity:—

	£.	s.	d.
To the 12 almspeople in Lant's almshouses, at 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each per week	109	4	—
To the almspeople in the Ten Cells, at 2 <i>l.</i> per lunar month	26	—	—
Repairs of Lant's almshouses, about	11	—	—
Coals, about	11	—	—
To the deputy town clerk for entering the accounts	1	1	—
Water rate and insurance	5	9	—
Postage, carriage of rent and sundries	—	10	—
	£. 164	4	—

Mr. Phillips has held the office of curator of this charity from 1802 to the present time. The following is a statement of the times at which his accounts have been audited by a committee of the chamber, and of the balances at those times in his hands:—

	£.	s.	d.
January 1805	24	12	11½
April 1809	71	18	11½
November 1816	91	8	1
November 1819	68	13	10
May 1821	10	12	10

In addition to the last-mentioned balance, a sum of 50*l.* 8*s.* having been received for a year's interest from the chamber was, in September 1820, placed by the curator in the West of England Bank, upon an interest note. Since the last audit, the curator has received four years' interest from the chamber, and a year's rent from the tenant; and after giving credit to him for the payments made since the audit, the balance between him and the charity, in favour of the latter, to the 6th of June 1821, including the said 50*l.* 8*s.* amounted to about 280*l.*, of which the sum of 220*l.* 16*s.* 1*d.* has been invested in the purchase of 200*l.* stock in the Navy Five per Cents., in the names of Messrs. Phillips, Crocket and Pinhey, all members of the chamber.

It appears to us that the above-mentioned sum of 1,260*l.* ought also to be paid by the chamber, and invested in the public funds in the names of the same trustees, on account of this charity.

An annual sum of 3*s.* 4*d.* was given by John Baker, in 1603, to the poor of Bonville's almshouses, being part of a rent-charge of 15*s.* 4*d.* now received by the officer of the chamber, called the warden of the poor, and carried to the general account of the charities under his care. It has probably not been paid over by that officer since Bonville's almshouses ceased to be inhabited; but as Lant's almshouses may be considered as having been substituted for Bonville's, it appears to us that this small annual sum ought to be paid to the former.

*Calwodeley's Gift.*—By letters patent of the 12th year of King Henry the 7th, reciting, that Thomas Calwodeley, esquire, had lately, by his deed indented, given and granted, and by that deed confirmed to William Obley and others, all his manor of Awliscombe, in the county of Devon, and also all the messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services, with their appurtenances, which the said Thomas Calwodeley, in Awliscombe aforesaid, then had, and which manor and other premises, with the appurtenances, did not exceed the true value of ten marks by the year beyond reprises, as his Majesty was informed, to hold the aforesaid manor, messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services, with the appurtenances, to the aforesaid William Obley and others, their heirs and assigns, for ever, to the use of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter,

Exeter, in the said county, and their successors:—"In subsidium et relevamem inopiæ pauperum civium et inhabitantium civitatis nostræ predictæ qui multoties gravionerati existunt tam per feodi firmas ejusdem civitatis nobis et aliis annuatim per solvendas quam per alias impositiones et talagia nostra cum per totam regnum nostrum Angliæ currere contigerit et ad inveniendum quendam idoneum Capellanum annuatim Divina celebraturum in capellâ Sancti Georgii Martyris in civitate predictâ;" as in the last will of the said Thomas Calwodeley more fully appeared; and reciting, that afterwards the said William Obley and others, grantees of the said manor and other premises, with their appurtenances, by their deed, enfeoffed the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, to hold to them and their successors for ever, for the aid and relief from want of poor citizens and inhabitants of the said city as above specified, and as in the deed of the said William Obley and others would more fully appear, his said Majesty, of his special grace, and in consideration of the well observing of the intention of the said Thomas Calwodeley, did pardon, remit and release to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, and their successors, the gift, grant and confirmation aforesaid, and all manner of other gifts, alienations and purchases by them the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, or any of them, of the said manor of Awliscombe, with its appurtenances, and also of all messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services, with their appurtenances, in Awliscombe aforesaid, or any parcel thereof, and all manner of alienations and purchases in mortmain, or to the use of the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, of the said manor and premises, or of any parcel thereof, by the said grantees made, without license; provided that the said manor and premises did not exceed the value of ten marks per annum beyond reprises.

We have not found any other document tending to throw light upon this gift.

In the rentals of this manor, previous to 1805, there appears to have been another small tenement, not specified in the present rental, let to the Rev. Mr. Martin, at the rent of 1s. 8d. This is supposed to be now included in No. 5.

It will be seen from the Rental, given in this and the following page, that the present reserved rents of this property amount to no more than 7l. 8s. 8d. per annum; and this sum is subject to the annual deductions of 4s. for two chief rents, 8s. for taxes on one of the tenements, and 5s. for collecting the rents.

From a survey in the possession of the chamber, it appears that, in 1801, the estimated gross yearly value (subject to deductions for taxes and repairs) of No. 5, in the Rental, was 16l., and of No. 11, 100l. Of the other premises no survey appears to have been made since 1780, when the estimated gross yearly value of the whole, except Nos. 5 and 11, was 150l. We apprehend that the property has considerably increased in value since these surveys were made; but we are not enabled to state with accuracy the present yearly value.

An information has been lately filed by the Attorney-general, at the relation of Matthew Barrett and George Hayman, inhabitants of the city of Exeter, in order to bring this gift under the consideration of the Court of Chancery, and therefore the value will probably be ascertained under the direction of that Court. An accurate account will also be necessary of the lives mentioned in the Rental, several of which are known to have fallen, no lease of this property having been renewed since 1805, and of the state of the repairs of the buildings on the estate, many of which are mentioned in the survey made in 1780, to be in a dilapidated state.

The rents, fines and other profits arising from this manor are carried to the general account of the chamber of Exeter, and we can find no trace of any specific appropriation of them. Two fee-farm rents are paid by the chamber; one of 20l. 15s. 4d. to the Earl of Hardwicke, and the other of 16l. 2s. 8d. to Lord Somers. In the receipts for these rents, the sums respectively paid are stated to be for "one year's rent," the former being expressed to be received of the receiver of the chamber of Exeter, and the latter of the mayor of Exeter; but we have not been able to ascertain in respect of what lands these rents are payable, nor to find any evidence to show whether these are or are not the fee-farm rents alluded to in the deed of Thomas Calwodeley, to the payment of which his gift was in part applicable. Supposing that the chamber should be permitted to apply the rents and profits of this estate to the payment of these fee-farm rents, there would still, if the present leases of the property should be allowed to determine, so as to admit of the estate being let at rack-rent, be a considerable surplus of income arising from this gift, which, we conceive, would be applicable to other charitable purposes under the directions of the Court.

By a late Act of Parliament, passed in 1818, for building a new gaol and house of correction for the city and county of the city of Exeter, after reciting that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of that city were willing to maintain, repair and support the said gaol and house of correction, it was enacted, that the expense of repairing the said buildings, and the expense of maintaining and supporting the prisoners to be there confined, as well as the payment of the sum of 35l., being at that time the annual amount of the salaries paid to the keepers thereof, should be borne by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, by and out of the estates, funds and revenues belonging to them.

The following is a Rental of the Lands of the Manor of Awliscombe, which appear to have been for a great number of years let by the chamber of Exeter, for terms of 99 years, determinable on lives.

No.	Lessees.	Tenements.	No. of Acres.	Date of last Renewal.	Fines paid on last Renewal.	Names of the Lives, and their Ages at the Date of the Lease.	Reserved Rent.
1	Robert Kerslake.	House & land called Coke's-pace.	19	21st Dec. 1758, for 3 lives.	£. s. d. 180 --	Elizabeth Kerslake, lessee's wife; John Kerslake - 2 Susannah Kerslake, 7 lessee's children.	£. s. d. 17 8

N <sup>o</sup>	Lessee.	Tenements.	No. of Acres.	Date of last Renewal.	Fines paid on last Renewal.	Names of the Lives, and their Ages at the Date of the Lease.	Reserved Rent.
2	Rich. Cross, Esq.	House & land called Odehill.	16½	1st Aug. 1772, for three lives.	£. s. d. 350 - -	Richard Cross - 12 William Shiles - 12 John Shiles - 11	13 -
	Granted in one lease.	House & land called Higher House.	11½	Ditto - -	- - -	Same lives.	
3	Ditto.	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	John Hore -	House & land called Highen.	16½	24 Aug. 1784, for one life.	45 - -	Lessee - - - 24	- 8 -
5	Daniel Pring	House & land called Breaches and Speke's Land.	15½	30 July 1805, for three lives.	180 - -	Mary Pring - - 22 Sarah Pring - - 20 Elizabeth Pring, 14 daughters of lessee.	1 - -
6	Daniel Pring	House & land called Losses, alias Pyles.	17½	24 Aug. 1784, for one life. 19 April 1803, for one life.	45 - - 84 - -	Daniel Pring - - 22 Francis Pring - 16 lessee's son.	1 4 -
7	William Blackmore.	House & land called the Capital Messuage or Town Tenement.	23½	1 Feb. 1785, for three lives. 17 Dec. 1799, for one life.	260 - - 63 - -	John Bacon Sweeting - - } 36 Susannah Wright Sweeting - - } 9 Lessee - - - 35	- 14 -
8	Daniel Pring	Bampfild's, with the close called the Pieces.	2	29 March 1748, for three lives.	- -	John Pring - - - Edward Pridham - Andrew Pridham -	1 6
9	Daniel Pring	House & land called Drakes Redwoods.	24½	24 Aug. 1784, for three lives.	330 - -	Honor Pring, his wife - - } 39 Catherine Pring, 9 Elizabeth Pring, 7 lessee's daughters.	9 2
10	Daniel Pring	Overland tenement called Thorne's Cottage.	almost 5	24 Aug. 1784, for three lives.	70 - -	Honor Pring, his wife - - } 39 Catherine Pring, 9 Elizabeth Pring, 7 lessee's daughters.	2 6
11	John Pring -	House & land called Marles.	55½	7 June 1764, for two lives. 24 Nov. 1801, for one life.	270 - - 300 - -	John Pring - - 11 William Pring - 10 Thomas, his son, 10	1 13 -
12	Parishioners of Awliscombe.	The Church House.	-	14 Aug. 1722, for 99 years absolute from 18th Sept. 1721, when the former grant expired.	- -	- - - - -	- - 4
9	Henry Fry -	A watercourse in Awliscombe.	206½	7 Feb. 1681, for 400 years from the date.	- -	- - - - -	- 5 6

It is stated to us by two of the present members of the chamber, Mr. Blackall and Mr. Collyns, that one inducement which led them to consent to the insertion in the Act of Parliament of this charge upon the chamber was, the consideration that as the manor of Awliscombe was held by the chamber for purposes not very specific, the application of the revenues of the chamber, of which this manor has formed a part, to this purpose, was fair and reasonable.

Upon this point it may be sufficient for us to remark, that these objects do not appear to have been in the contemplation of the donor of the gift now under consideration; and that although the chamber have, as far as appears, immemorially maintained the former establishment of the gaol of the city, there is no trace of any specific appropriation of the rents and profits of this manor to that purpose; and it may perhaps be conjectured, that this burthen was imposed upon them as the consideration of some ancient grant of other property.

*Atwill's Gift.*—Lawrence Atwill, citizen and skinner of the city of London, by his Will, bearing date 6 November 1588, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, reciting, that he had bargained with Nicholas Webb and others for the purchase of divers lands, tenements and hereditaments in the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle, near the city of Exeter, and in the parishes of Whitstone and Uffculme, in the county of Devon, directed that the purchase should be proceeded in; and he gave the same lands and tenements to Thomas Spicer, and his heirs, upon condition, to convey the same to the mayor, aldermen, citizens and commonalty of the city of Exeter, or by what other name the corporation of that city was called, to the intent and purpose, that of and with the

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rents and profits of the same, there should be made a stock of money which, by the good direction of the mayor and aldermen of the said city, should be employed in some good sort, that the poor people of the said city might be from time to time set on work, and yet the stock ever kept whole, and not decayed, but increased with the yearly revenues of the said lands for ever.

The conveyance from the said Nicholas Webb and others states, that they, in consideration of 500 *l.* paid, and 100 *l.* more, conveyed to Henry Billingsley and Lawrence Atwill, and the heirs of Atwill, all the moiety of all those messuages, lands, &c. in the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle, sometime the inheritance of William Courtenay, esq. together with a moiety of the wood, called Courtenay Wood, in Whitstone, and all the farm called Foxhall, in Uffculme; but it does not contain a more minute description of the property than that which is above set forth.

From an order of the Court of Chancery, dated the 11th of February 1771, in a cause between the Attorney-general, at the relation of Adam Pierce, gentleman, on behalf of the poor people of Exeter, informant, and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, defendants, and from the recitals of the information and answer contained in that order, it appears that after the death of the said Lawrence Atwill, the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty entered into and were seised of the premises at Uffculme, Saint Thomas the Apostle, and Whitstone, devised by him; that they had leased the same from time to time, for 99 years, determinable on lives, according to the custom of the county; and that shortly before the filing of the said information, they had received a fine of 500 *l.* for a reversionary lease to one Mark Westron, of part of the land so devised. It further appears, that the defendants, in their answer, stated, that they were willing to perform the charitable intentions of the testator; but that they had found it in practice impossible, strictly and literally, to carry his directions into execution without the greatest abuse of his charitable intentions; for that the poor of the said city entitled to the benefit of the said charity had from time to time secretly sold and disposed of the materials of the manufactures with which they had been supplied out of the rents and profits of the premises, and had spent and wasted the money from thence arising, which the defendants had not been able to prevent; and they submitted that the rents and profits of the said premises ought not to be applied in aid of the poor rate; for that by an Act of the 9th William 3, a body corporate was constituted for the support of the poor of the said city, by which Act it was provided, that the said body should not have power over any almshouse or other charitable gift or use within the said city, already given or erected; and they further submitted that if the said 500 *l.* were laid out in erecting almshouses for the reception of poor and aged manufacturers, and the rents and profits of the premises applied to the endowing such almshouses with weekly stipends to the poor inhabiting the same; and if the said poor should be supplied with looms and other implements of woollen manufactory, such application of the rents and profits would, in their judgment, be more conformable to the charitable intentions of the said testator, than a literal attention to his will; and they stated, that they were unwilling to expend the said 500 *l.* without the sanction and indemnity of the Court.

Whereupon it was by the said order directed, that the said charity should be established, and that the parties should be at liberty to lay a scheme before one of the Masters of the Court for carrying the same into execution, as near the intention of the testator as the circumstances would admit.

By a subsequent order, dated the 16th January 1772, in the same cause, a report of the Master, to whom the same had been referred, was confirmed, whereby he certified that he approved of a scheme which the defendants had laid before him, for carrying the said charity into execution, as near the intention of the said testator as the then present circumstances would admit; by which scheme it was proposed, that the above-mentioned sum of 500 *l.* or such part thereof as the Court should think fit, should be laid out in building almshouses, for the reception and habitation of such poor aged woollen manufacturers of the said city of Exeter as the defendants and their successors should think proper objects of the testator's bounty; and for that purpose, and to make the said charity more extensive, the said defendants proposed, that a piece or plot of ground belonging to, and part of the city lands, should be allotted for the site thereof, and that the persons who should from time to time be deemed objects of the said charity, should be furnished with looms and other implements of the woollen manufactory, and allowed weekly stipends payable out of the rents and profits of the charity estates, according to their age, infirmities and necessities. And by the last-mentioned order, the said Master was directed to tax all parties their costs, to be paid and retained out of the said sum of 500 *l.*; and it was ordered that the overplus of the said sum should be applied in erecting almshouses according to the said Master's report, and the rents and profits of the charity estate be applied according to the same report.

Adam Pierce, the relator, appears to have been the chamberlain of the corporation at the time of filing the information, and therefore, we apprehend, that the suit cannot be considered to have been an adverse proceeding.

The barton of Exwick, of which the estate described, No. 1 in the Rental, forms a part, appears formerly to have been held in undivided moieties by the chamber of Exeter, as trustees of this charity, on the one part, and Joseph and Benjamin Oliver, on the other part. We have not been able to find the deed of partition by which these lands were divided, but we have seen the counterpart of a lease, dated the 5th of February 1728, from the chamber of Exeter, to William Williams, esq. which describes the premises belonging to the chamber as consisting of 16 closes, and amongst others, specifies a close called the Round Yarnscombe, containing 4 A. 2 R. and a field called Furze Hill, containing 1 A. 2 R. In this lease, the premises demised are mentioned to have fallen to the share of the chamber, on a partition thereof, and of other lands lately made between the said chamber, and Joseph Oliver, esq. and Benjamin Oliver his brother. The term granted by the lease was 99 years, determinable on three lives, and the rent reserved was 3 *l.* 5 *s.* 6 *d.* per annum. By the same lease it was recited, that before the above-mentioned partition, and at the time of the execution of the lease, there were several ricks of hay in two closes, called Holman's Down and Chilcott's Close, which closes, upon the partition, with other closes, fell to the lot of the said Joseph and Benjamin Oliver; and also one or more ricks of hay in a close called the Frying Pan, and several ricks in other closes therein mentioned, one moiety of all which hay belonged to the chamber; and that the said Joseph and Benjamin Oliver had, since the said partition, conveyed the said Holman's Down and Chilcott's Close, and other lands which upon the said partition came to them, to the said William Williams, and his heirs; and the said William Williams covenanted with the chamber to permit them to remove the moiety of the said hay in Holman's Down and Chilcott's Close, belonging to the said chamber, from the said closes, by a lane from the said closes, to a highway leading from the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle to Crediton; and also to remove the moiety of the said hay in the said close called the Frying Pan, and in the said other closes belonging to the said chamber, from the said closes respectively, through the closes called the Hamlyns, to the highway



way above described. On the occasion of granting the existing lease in 1796, upon the determination of that of 1728, it was one of the conditions of the auction then held, that if the Frying Pan field, otherwise Furze Hill, should be recovered by the lessors, the purchaser should have the same with the other premises at a fair price. There is no close now belonging to the charity answering to the description of the Furze Hill, containing 1 A. 2 R. This is supposed to be the field mentioned in the latter part of the lease, as a close called the Frying Pan, though it seems extraordinary, that a field which had been specified by one name in the former part of an instrument, should, when again mentioned in the latter part,

The following STATEMENT contains a RENTAL of - - - -

No.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS and DATES of LEASES.	Contents.	Lives and Ages at the Date of the Lease.
			A. R. P.	
1	{ John Luke, now Sam. Mortimer	{ - - Fifteen fields or closes of land, two cottages, barn and linhay, part of Exwick barton, 23 March 1796 - - -	{ 90 2 20	{ Lessee - - 35 Mary Luke - 37 Robert Luke - 2
2	{ James White & Richard Hall Clarke, esqrs.	{ - - An undivided moiety of a messuage and tenement, called Homes or Cott, situate at Exwick, consisting of a dwelling-house, orchard, coppice, nursery and eight fields, 1805, March 12, two lives - - -	{ the whole 19 1 13	{ Mary Ann Williams - 18 Jane Williams 13 in reversion of Mary Williams
3	{ Edward Pim, now William Chave, esq.	{ - - An undivided moiety of a close of ground, called Well Park, or Moore's Meadow, 1805, Dec. 17 - - -	{ 3 3 5	{ Edward Pim - 47 William H. Pim 13 G. B. Pim - 8
4	{ John Dennis - James Luke -	{ - - An undivided moiety of a messuage or tenement, and seven fields called Ewing's and Crocker's grounds, 8 October 1782, three lives, 10 October 1818, one life - - -	{ 43 - 2	{ Jonas Dennis - 7 John Dennis - 5 John, son of the above-mentioned John Dennis 4
5	{ Rev. Duke Yonge -	{ - - An undivided moiety of a meadow, called Wear Meadow, adjoining the River Exe and Head Wear, and Blackaller Wear, 8 July 1794 - - -	{ 2 2 24	{ Duke Yonge - 14 Charles Yonge 12 Charlotte Yonge 9
6	John Manly -	{ An undivided moiety of a tenement in Alphington-street - - -	{ - - -	{ - - - -
7	{ John Richards, now John Rippon	{ - - An undivided moiety of another tenement in Alphington-street, adjoining the above, 17 July 1750 - - -	{ - - -	{ John Palk - 9 Samuel Palk - 7
8	{ John Richards, now Henry Southwood -	{ - - An undivided moiety of five tenements in Alphington-street, and adjoining to the south side of the above, 16 July 1756 - -	{ - - -	{ John Jones - 17
9	{ John Martyn, now - Fisher	{ - - An undivided moiety of a courtlage or plot of ground adjoining the above, 1783, March 13, two lives, 1788, Sept. 9, one life - - -	{ - - -	{ Mary Martyn - 9 Elizabeth Fisher 14
10	{ James Bedford, now Roger Nicks	{ - - An undivided moiety of several small dwellings in Cowick-street, adjoining on the east to the Swan Inn, 1782, June 11	{ - - -	{ James Bedford 27 James Davey - 8
11	William Baker	{ An undivided moiety of an overland tenement, called Cott - - -	{ 18 - 1	{ - - 1817, Nov. 12, a lease for 7 or 14 years, from Michael- mas 1817 - -
12	Francis Trott -	{ A dwelling-house, 36 fields, five orchards and two gardens - - -	{ 124 - 22	{ - - 1816, Feb. 13, a lease for 14 years, from Lady-day 1814
13	In hand -	{ - - Two allotments, one of two acres, and the other of five acres, made in respect of the premises, No. 12, under an Inclosure Act, in lieu of right of common on Hackpen Down, which have been since planted with trees - - -	{ 7 - -	{ - - - -
14	In hand -	Yarncombe Grove - - -	3 1 9	- - - -
15	In hand -	Courtenay Wood, or Frost Wood - -	8 2 35	- - - -

part, be referred to by a different one. A field now bearing the name of the Frying Pan Close, which is bounded on three sides by "the Round Yarnscombe," is in the possession of the Rev. Duke Yonge, to whom a part of Exwick barton belongs. In a map of the lands of this charity, vested in the chamber and made about the year 1760, the field in question is inserted as belonging to the charity, and marked (K.); and in the index to that map, it is not called either by the name of the Frying Pan Close, or Furze Hill, but is stated to be "now part of Round Yarnscombe," although we have no other reason for supposing that these fields have been united.

- - - the PROPERTY now belonging to the Charity.

Fine paid for Renewal.	RENT.	PARISH where situated.	Estimated yearly Value.	MEMORANDA.
£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
1,312 - -	5 5 -	{ Saint Thomas, Devon - }	75 - -	
150 - -	- 9 4	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 10 10 -	
30 - -	5 5 -	- ditto -	- - -	{ -- The rent reserved is considered to be the present annual value of the moiety.
315 - -	{ - 10 -	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 30 - -	
105 - -				
26 5 -	- 5 -	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 3 3 -	
- - -	{ Rent not yet fixed }	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 9 - -	{ -- This property was last let in 1737, on lease for three lives, all of whom are now dead, at a con- ventional rent of 4s. in con- sideration of a fine of 18 l. 10 s.
10 - -	- 2 6	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 16 - -	{ Improved by the present tenant within a few years past.
2 2 - and surrender	- 10 -	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 25 - -	
6 6 -	- 5 -	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 12 - -	
35 - - and surrender	- 2 3	- ditto -	{ Value of the moiety 17 - -	
- - -	15 15 -	- ditto -	Good rent.	{ -- The rent reserved by the lease was 230 l. but it was reduced from Lady-day 1815 to 210 l. in con- sequence of the depreciation of the value of land. The lessee agree- ing to give up the two allotments, No. 13, which had been originally included in this lease, and keep the fences thereof in repair. The house and buildings are in want of sub- stantial repairs. The tenant co- venants to do the usual repairs, on being found rough timber.
- - -	210 - -	Uffculme, Devon	Good rent	
- - -	- - -	- ditto.		
- - -	- - -	{ Saint Thomas, Devon.		
- - -	- - -	Whitstone, Devon		

On application to Mr. Yonge, he readily informed us that he had purchased in 1792, of Edmund Granger, of Exeter, and Samuel Banfill, of Exwick, esquires, the part of the barton of Exwick which he now possesses; and that among other premises specified in words, and delineated on a map attached to the conveyance, is a field named Frying Pan Close, containing 1 A. 2 R. 5 P.

The absence of the deed of partition, the want of accuracy in the lease of 1728, to which we have alluded, and the new description introduced into the map of the charity lands, certainly render the point in some degree doubtful; but upon the whole, we are inclined to think, that the field granted by the name of the Furze Hill, in the lease from the chamber in 1728, is the same which is now in the possession of Mr. Yonge; he however appears to have purchased, probably without legal, and certainly without personal notice of the charitable trust affecting the field in question.

Samuel Mortimer, esq. became possessed of Luke's term in No. 1, by purchase from his assignees. There are no buildings on the premises, and we are informed, they would let advantageously at rack-rent, which appears to us to be the best mode of disposing of property of this description.

Mr. Edward Pim, the lessee of the undivided moiety of the close called Well Park or Moore's Meadow, which constitutes No. 3 in the Rental, paid his rent up to Michaelmas 1810; he became a bankrupt in 1814, and Mr. Thomas Tucker, a grocer of Exeter, was chosen one of his assignees. William Chave, esq. bought the lease from the assignees under the commission. In December 1816, Alderman John Hore, the then curator of the charities, applied to Mr. Tucker, who was also agent to Mr. Chave, for (as he informs us) the whole of the arrears of rent due to the charity. Mr. Tucker, however, states his belief to be, that Mr. Hore demanded the payment of the two years' rent only, which had become due since the sale to Mr. Chave. Upon this demand, Mr. Tucker paid to Mr. Hore, on the account of Mr. Chave, 9*l.* 15*s.*; and Mr. Hore wrote a receipt for that sum, as two years' conventional rent due to the charity, but specifying no time for which it was due. No debt has been proved by the curator under Pim's commission for any part of the arrears; but Mr. Tucker, as his assignee, has paid the year's rent from 1813 to 1814. We are informed that no dividend has been declared, and that none is ever likely to be paid to the creditors. Mr. Chave has also lately paid the four years' rent due from Michaelmas 1816 to Michaelmas 1820. Mr. Floud, the present curator of the charity, has received these sums, from an impression that no claim could, under the circumstances, be substantiated against Mr. Chave, for the rent which accrued before the sale of the lease to him; and it is to be feared, that the arrears for the three years ending in 1813, will be lost to the charity.

Mr. John Dennis, to whom the undivided moiety of the messuage and fields called Ewing's and Crocker's grounds, No. 4, in the Rental, was granted by lease in 1782, was at that time a member of the chamber of Exeter, and therefore a trustee of the charity; and Mr. James Luke, to whom the reversionary lease for one life in the same premises was granted in 1818, was the executor of Mr. Dennis. The other moiety of these premises is vested in James White and Richard Hall Clarke, esquires, as trustees of Mrs. Williams, under whose family Mr. Dennis held a lease of their portion for years, determinable on lives, which was granted on 24th October 1782, for the same fine and rent as were fixed in the same year for the moiety of the charity. We are informed, that Mr. James Luke has applied for a renewal of the moiety belonging to Mrs. Williams, but has not been able to obtain it. It is incumbent upon us to remark, that as Mr. John Dennis was a trustee of the charity at the time the lease to him was granted, such lease was a violation of the rules established by courts of equity for the management of trust estates; but as the moiety of the charity was let on equal terms with that belonging to Mrs. Williams, we see no reason to doubt that a fair consideration was paid for it by Mr. Dennis. Understanding, however, that this tenement would let advantageously at rack-rent, we cannot but regret, that the chamber did not follow the example afforded them by the trustees of Mrs. Williams, in refusing to grant the reversionary lease to Mr. Luke.

The undivided moiety of Wear Meadow, No. 5, in the Rental, is under lease to the Rev. Duke Yonge, the proprietor of the other moiety. We think it will also be for the advantage of the charity, that its share in this field should in future be let at rack-rent.

The last life on the lease of the tenement No. 6, in the Rental, dropped some years ago, but this circumstance has been but lately inquired into and discovered. Upon the ascertainment of the fact, Mr. Floud, who was appointed curator at the latter end of the year 1820, being advised by counsel, that the trustees could not recover more than six years of the annual value of the premises, entered into an agreement with the tenant, in pursuance of which, he is to pay 60*l.*; 10*l.* being, in the opinion of Mr. Floud, the fair average annual value of the undivided moiety belonging to the charity for that period. It is proposed to let it for lives to the owner of the other moiety, under as large a conventional rent as can be obtained.

Doubts are entertained as to the existence of John and Samuel Palk, the two lives on which the tenement No. 7, was granted, and of John Jones, upon whose life the lease of No. 8 depends; inquiries are making with respect to them, and if it should turn out that the lives have dropped, these undivided moieties will be disposed of in the manner proposed with respect to No. 6.

The land-tax of the whole of the overland tenement, called Cott, No. 11, of which one moiety belongs to the chamber, was purchased a few years ago out of the funds of the charity. It amounted to 2*l.* 4*s.* per annum, and the sum expended in the purchase was 64*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* Since the redemption, the charity has of course been entitled to receive the annual amount of the land-tax in addition to the moiety of the rent.

The property at Uffculme, No. 12, in the Rental, was let in 1770 to Mark Westron, for two lives in reversion of one, in consideration of 500*l.*; and in 1780, a reversionary lease for one life was granted to him for 150*l.* The last life dropped in 1813, when an auction was held for letting it, but as no tenant could be procured at what was considered a fair rent, it was kept in hand till Lady-day 1815, and the sums received during this interval amounted to 271*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* The sum of 188*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* was laid out in the repairs of the buildings on this farm in 1818, but they are still in bad condition. The present reduced rent appears to be a fair one. There is some growing timber on this estate, but not much fit to cut; it is proposed by Mr. Floud, the curator, to have all the trees marked and numbered.

Yarnscombe Grove, No. 14, is planted as a nursery, with young elms and oaks, and it is intended to sell the trees as they become fit for sale.

Courtenay Wood, or Frost Wood, No. 15, is a coppice, available every 20 years. It has been cut within a year, and an auction was held for the sale of it, when it produced about 31*l.* per acre. A deposit of 20 per cent. has been made, and the residue is to be paid in the month of August in the present year. At the time of the sale, 700 trees, which had been previously marked, were reserved for future timber, and it

It was made a condition of sale, that any number of trees beyond the 700 to be marked by the curator, should be allowed to stand, on deducting from the purchase-money, after the rate of 4*d.* for each sapling. Mr. Floud has woodlands, his own property, adjoining this coppice, and has placed it under the superintendence of his own woodman.

We have extracted from the books laid before us, the following statement of money received for the sale of timber and coppice wood, and carried to account :

	£.	s.	d.
1797, Received for 105 oaks cut in Courtenay Wood - - - -	90	-	-
For underwood sold at the same time - - - -	148	19	-
1804, Timber sold at Uffculme - - - -	40	-	-
1807, Ditto - ditto - - - -	173	-	-
1808, Ditto - ditto - - - -	120	-	-
1810, Ditto - ditto - - - -	29	6	-
1811, Underwood in Yarncombe Wood - - - -	10	-	-
1812, Timber sold at Uffculme, of which 82 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> was lost - -	713	-	-
1814, Ditto - ditto, in respect of which 1 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> is due - -	138	17	-
Ditto - in Wear Meadow - - - -	32	10	-
1821, Deposit for underwood sold and not paid for - - - -	39	8	-
Bark of ditto - - - -	5	1	3

The loss of 82*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* above referred to, arose out of a sale to one Cole, who upon being called on after the death of Mr. Alderman Dennis, the curator, for payment, asserted that he had paid the money to that gentleman. The chamber brought an action against Cole, but finding that on account of his poverty they were not likely to benefit by a verdict, they agreed to refer the matter to arbitration. Cole produced a witness before the arbitrator, who swore to the payment of the money to Mr. Dennis, and the arbitrator decided in his favour, but Mr. Mortimer, the chamberlain, who conducted the case for the chamber, expresses his conviction that the money never was so paid, and that the defence was not founded in truth.

The earliest account book of the charity we have been able to discover, commences in 1786.

The fine of 1,312*l.* paid in 1796, for granting the lease to John Luke, was received by the chamber, and interest paid for it to the charity at four per cent. Other sums were also taken on similar interest by the chamber from the funds of the charity, in the interval between 1796 and 1809, at which last-mentioned period the debt amounted to 2,200*l.* The annual interest on this sum has been occasionally paid since, but it has more frequently been in arrear; and at the time of our inquiry in June 1821, the sum of 2,627*l.* 11*s.* was due from the chamber to the charity, for principal and interest; this debt, however, is subject to a set-off on the part of the chamber, which will be hereinafter stated. Mention is made in the account book of bonds given by the chamber for 2,000*l.* part of this debt, but no such bonds were in the hands of the curator at the time of our inquiry, nor have any such been produced to us.

In addition to the sources of income above mentioned, the charity is possessed of 242*l.* 12*s.* in the Three per Cent. Reduced stock, which was purchased with surplus of income on two occasions, in December 1820 and May 1821, by Mr. Floud, at the price of 175*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*; this stock stands in the names of Mr. Floud and two other members of the chamber, and produces a dividend of 7*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.*

We find in the account of the year 1813, the sum of 9*s.* 9*d.* entered as received from the city bank for interest on money lodged in it, and in that audited in 1816, the sum of 62*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.* is stated to have been received on the same account.

The balance in the hands of Mr. Floud, at the time of our investigation, in June 1821, amounted to 121*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* which would be subject to unpaid bills to the amount of about 50*l.*; this balance, however, does not include the sum of 60*l.* which is to be received of Manley, the tenant of No. 6, nor a bill of 20*l.* not yet due, which has been given by the tenant of the estate at Uffculme for rent in arrear. In addition to the 20*l.* secured by this bill, there was due from the same tenant for rent at Lady-day 1821, the sum of 67*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*

In pursuance of the order of the Court of Chancery, made in 1771, twelve almshouses appear to have been built; but as the accounts we have seen do not extend back beyond 1786, we are unable to state what sum was expended upon them. In 1815, it was resolved by the chamber, in consequence of the increased income of the charity, to build three additional houses; they were accordingly erected on land of the chamber, immediately adjoining the other almshouses, at an expense of 425*l.* 7*s.* which was paid out of the funds of the charity. For the land thus bestowed the chamber claim to be allowed 150*l.* together with six years' interest for the same at four per cent., amounting to 36*l.* more; and assuming this to be a fair price for the land, which is stated to be founded upon the valuation of a surveyor, we conceive, that they have a just claim to have these two sums deducted from their balance above-mentioned. But they also urge a claim for the value of the ground, which was proposed by them in the scheme submitted to the Court of Chancery to be allotted for the site of the twelve almshouses built in 1772, and on this account they demand the sum of 480*l.* being after the rate of 40*l.* for each house, and also 940*l.* 16*s.* as interest for the same for 49 years, from April 1772 to 1821, at four per cent. If the chamber of Exeter had in 1772 intended to sell this land to the charity, it might have been expected that the terms of sale would have formed a part of the scheme proposed by them to the Court; and we are strongly inclined to think, under the circumstances of the case, that this claim cannot be supported; but it certainly ought not to be admitted without the sanction of the Court of Chancery.

The almshouses are in very good repair, and are inhabited by 15 decayed woollen manufacturers, who are appointed by the chamber, and are paid 4*s.* a week each. The houses are well supplied with spring water, and that from the River Exe, and appear comfortable in every respect. Occasional donations of coals are made to the almsmen, but no looms are provided for them.

The income of the charity being much larger than is necessary for the support of the establishment on its present scale, it is proposed by the chamber, that they shall sell to the charity some gardens belonging to them immediately opposite to the present almshouses, on which shall be erected houses for such an additional number of poor men as the funds will be able to maintain, and that the price of the ground shall be taken in discharge of part of the debt due from the chamber.

It is suggested also, that the moiety belonging to the chamber of the premises, No. 11, in the Rental, may be disposed of at a fair valuation to the charity, as a further means of liquidating their debt. We are not aware of any objection to this scheme, and it appears to us that the increase in the number of almshouses will be beneficial; but as we apprehend that the chamber are at liberty to apply to the Court of Chancery for further directions in the suit commenced in 1771, without instituting a new one, we have recommended that such an application shall be made, when the respective claims of the chamber and the charity may be fully discussed and adjusted, and the advantages of the latter extended, in conformity with the improvement of its income, under the sanction of that Court.

*Seldon's Gift.*—Lawrence Seldon, by his Will, dated the 8th of May 1598, devised and appointed that Nicholas Martyn, John Davye and William Martyn, and the rest of his feoffees named in a deed of feoffment, bearing date on the day and year aforesaid, and their heirs, should, after the deaths of himself and his wife, for ever, receive and take the rents and profits of all his messuages, lands, tenements, &c. mentioned in his said feoffment, and that they should out of the same, weekly, upon every Sunday for ever, pay or cause to be delivered in bread to the poor people of the parish of St. Mary the More, in the city of Exeter, 12 *d.*, and to the poor of the parish of the Trinity in the said city, 12 *d.*, and to the poor of the parish of St. Sidwell, 12 *d.*, and to the poor of the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle, 8 *d.*, and to the poor of the parish of Sowton, Devon, 4 *d.*, to be distributed by the discretion of the wardens and sidesmen of every of the said parishes, in such sort as that, if it might conveniently be, every one of the poor people of the several parishes, one after another, might receive equal relief and contribution of his gift; and that out of the same rents and profits the said feoffees, and their heirs, should provide three little table boards, and three yards of linen cloth to make three coverings for the said table boards, and the said table boards and coverings repair and maintain for ever; and that one of the same table boards should be placed in every of the said parish churches of St. Mary the More, Trinity and St. Sidwell; and that the same bread so appointed to be distributed amongst the said last-mentioned three parishes, should on every Sunday before morning prayer, be placed upon the said table boards, there to remain till the end of the common prayer, and then to be distributed among the said poor people; and that out of the said rents and profits, his said feoffees, and their heirs, should pay the charge of high-rents, reparations, &c. of the premises, yearly for ever; and also that they should yearly on the 20th of October, yield up before the mayor, receiver, town clerk and bailiff of Exeter, an account of the receipts and employments of the rents and profits of the said premises; and should out of the said rents and profits pay to the said mayor and other officers yearly at the time of the said account, for their pains, the sums following, viz. to the mayor, 12 *d.*, to the receiver, town clerk and bailiffs, 6 *d.* a piece, and to the serjeants 3 *d.* a piece; and he directed that the residue of the rents and profits of the said premises should be distributed amongst the poor people in the prisons of the city and castle of Exeter, for ever, by the discretion of his feoffees and their heirs; and further he directed, to the intent that the premises might the rather continue sufficient in yearly value to countervail and answer the yearly charge and payments before appointed, that the said premises should be let to farm at and for the most benefit, advantage and yearly rents that could or might be thereof reasonably reserved or taken, without any fine or income to be taken for the same at any time.

By indenture, dated the 29th September, 41st of Queen Elizabeth, between John Davye, William Martyn and others, citizens of Exeter, of the first part; the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, of the second part; and Elizabeth Seldon, widow, late the wife of the said Lawrence Seldon, of the third part; reciting, that the said Lawrence Seldon by his deed, dated May 8th, in the 40th year of Queen Elizabeth, did give, grant, enfeoff and confirm unto the said John Davye, William Martyn and others, all his messuages, lands, &c. with their appurtenances, called Moor, otherwise Lemoor, situate in the parish of Sowton, in the county of Devon, to the use of the said Lawrence and Elizabeth his wife, for their lives, and after their deaths to such uses as the said Lawrence should by his will devise, ordain and appoint; and that the said Lawrence, by his will, dated on the same day and year last aforesaid, did devise, ordain and appoint that the said John Davye, William Martyn and others named in the said deed of enfeoffment, and their heirs, should, after the death of the said Lawrence and Elizabeth, receive the rents and profits of the said premises, and distribute the same in such manner as in his said will was mentioned; and further reciting, that notwithstanding the same will, yet it was in part uncertain how and in what manner, and by what certain portions the profits of the said premises should be disposed of; and that the said Elizabeth was desirous to give and add some portion to the profits, to the end that as well the will of the said Lawrence might be performed as the desire of the said Elizabeth accomplished; the said John Davye, William Martyn and others, with the consent of the said Elizabeth Seldon, granted and enfeoffed to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, that her executors or administrators would within six months after her death, pay unto the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, one hundred marks, as a free gift; and that she would at her own cost in her lifetime, provide six table boards, and six coverings for them of linen cloth, to be placed within the six parish churches thereafter nominated, in such convenient places as to the wardens and sidesmen of the said parishes should be thought meet; and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty thereby covenanted, that after the death of the said Elizabeth, they would for ever, weekly, upon every Sunday, provide the quantities of bread for the several parishes in the schedule thereunto annexed, all the said bread, before the beginning of divine service in the forenoon of every Sabbath day, to be placed on each of the said table boards in the said parish churches; and after the said service ended to be by the several clerks to the poor people given and delivered, according to the discretion of the wardens and sidesmen of the said several parishes, or the greater number of them, in such order as that every one of the poor people standing in need to be relieved should in course for ever have an equal benefit thereof; and that the said clerks should have for their trouble in distributing the bread and warning the poor to be present when they ought to receive the same, the advantage of the bread, namely, so much of every dozen pennyworth of the said bread as, according to the common custom, was yielded and delivered for the same; and they also covenanted, that they and their successors for ever, would with part of the rents and profits of the said premises, repair the said six table boards with their coverings, and weekly, for ever, provide for the prisoners, &c. as in the said schedule was mentioned; and also would within two years after they had received the said one hundred marks, purchase lands for the better enabling them to perform the said gifts; and that the mayor of the said city for the time being would, yearly, for ever, on the

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20th day of October, call before himself the receiver, the three stewards and town clerk for the time being, in the Guildhall, all such officers as, by the mayor, &c. should be appointed to receive and bestow the profits of the said premises, on which day they should take of them a true account, both of the receipt of all the profits of the said premises, as also of the employment thereof, according to the true meaning of the said deed; and if it should appear that there was any defect of the employment aforesaid by any such as should be trusted therewith, that the said mayor and other officers should by their good discretions, cause the same employment to be performed in every point; also that the said mayor, &c. should receive such sums for their trouble as were mentioned in the said schedule; and that in case all the payments in the said indenture appointed could not be performed with the profits of the said premises, they the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, would always, for ever, supply so much as should be thereof wanting, with the profits of their own messuages, lands, &c. lying within the county of Devon and the city of Exeter. By the schedule annexed to this deed, it was directed that there should be paid:—

To the poor of St. Mary the More, weekly, in bread	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	s.	d.
Ditto - - - the Holy Trinity, ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ditto - St. Lawrence - - - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ditto - St. Sidwell - - - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
Ditto - St. Thomas, Devon - - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ditto - Sowton, Devon - - - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
To the prisoners in High Gaol - - - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
Ditto - in the Gaol, Sheriff's Ward and Counter of Exeter, in bread and meat weekly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
								2	6
Total per week	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6

And in fees:—

To the mayor, yearly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	s.	d.
To the receiver, yearly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6
To the town clerk and three stewards, each, yearly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6
To the four serjeants, each, yearly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
								6	-

This charity, like others of which the mayor and chamber of Exeter are trustees, is under the management of one of that body as curator. Mr. Samuel White fills that office at present; but the accounts have been kept for some time, and the rents received and payments made by Mr. Campion.

The property consists of a cottage lately built, a barn and ten parcels of arable, meadow, pasture and orchard land, situate in the parish of Sowton, Devon, and containing 25 A. 3 R. 23 P. There is also a small plot of orchard adjoining, containing about a quarter of an acre, upon which a labourer's cottage formerly stood, which has been pulled down. From the earliest accounts we have seen, it appears that the first-mentioned premises were let to Zachariah Paul, on the 7th of February 1757, for seven, fourteen or twenty-one years, at the tenant's option, at the yearly rent of 20*l.*; and that the labourer's cot and small orchard were granted by a lease, dated 30th of May 1738, for two lives in reversion of one; on a reserved annual rent of 7*s.* At Christmas 1783, these also were let to Paul at the clear rent of 2*l.* per annum, who continued to pay an annual sum of 22*l.* for the whole of the premises until 1796, when a lease of them was granted to Abraham Merrifield for 99 years, determinable on three lives (two of which have since dropped) in consideration of a fine of 500*l.* and a rent of 5*l.* 5*s.* We are informed that the annual value of the whole of the premises is about 50*l.*

We have before had occasion to express our opinion, that to let lands on which there are no buildings, for terms of so long duration, is a disadvantageous mode of dealing with the property of charities; but it must also be observed, in this instance, that Lawrence Seldon, by his will, expressly directed that the estate should be let to farm for the most benefit, advantage and yearly rents that could be reasonably reserved, without fine; and therefore it is almost superfluous to say, that the trustees, in granting the existing lease, exceeded their powers, and that the estate ought not to be so let in future. It should, however, be stated, that the fine obtained appears to have been a fair consideration for the term, being the highest price offered at an auction held for granting the lease.

The premises are in good repair. There are a few young elm trees in the hedges, but no timber fit to cut.

It appears from the accounts, that the fine of 500*l.* was advanced to the chamber of Exeter, at the interest of four per cent. from Michaelmas 1798, when it was received; that the sum of 52*l.* 10*s.* was allowed the tenant for putting the premises in order; and that 20*l.* per annum, as interest of 500*l.* was paid by the mayor and chamber up to the year 1800, when 65*l.* was advanced by the chamber for redeeming the land-tax, payable in respect of the estate; since which time the sum of 17*l.* 8*s.* as the interest on the remaining 435*l.* has been regularly paid to Michaelmas 1820. The amount of the land-tax, being 2*l.* 16*s.* 2½*d.* has been added to the conventional rent of 5*l.* 5*s.* and paid to the same time. These two sums, amounting together to 8*l.* 1*s.* 2½*d.* added to the interest of 17*l.* 8*s.* paid by the chamber, constitute the annual income of the charity, amounting in the aggregate to 25*l.* 9*s.* 2½*d.* From 1766, the furthest period to which the accounts of the charity which we have seen go back, to the year 1800, the annual sum of 15*l.* 12*s.* was distributed in bread among the various objects of the charity, being after the rate of 6*s.* per week. On the 1st of April 1800, it was directed, by an order in chamber, that the sum of 7*s.* 6*d.* per week, amounting to 19*l.* 10*s.* per annum, should be given in bread, in pursuance of the schedule of the deed of 41st Elizabeth; and that annual sum has accordingly been so disposed of. The bread is furnished to the different parishes and prisons, according to the proportions mentioned in the schedule. The fees are allowed to the officers of the chamber for the account of each year; but the accounts have not been annually settled. Audits took place in the years 1799, 1802, 1808, 1815, 1817, 1819 and 1820. The balances on those occasions were carried to account, and it

appears that there was due from the curator, on December the 11th, 1820, 25*l.* 7*s.* 11*d.* Alderman Crossing had the management of this charity from 1766 to 1790, when there was a sum of 38*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* due from him. He died in a state of poverty, and the debt does not appear to have been paid. A balance of 45*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* was also due from Alderman Bate; in 1807 he became a bankrupt, and no part of the money was afterwards accounted for.

The sum of 1*l.* 1*s.* is annually paid to Mr. Campion for keeping the accounts.

We consider it to be our duty to recommend that the sum of 435*l.* belonging to the charity, in the hands of the chamber, should forthwith be invested in the public funds.

*Peter Blundell's Gift.*—Peter Blundell, by Will, dated 9th June 1599, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exon, and their successors, 900*l.* to the uses following; that is to say, 500*l.* thereof, the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, should for ever, on the Wednesday next after Michaelmas, put forth, until the Wednesday next before the fourth feast of Michaelmas then always next following; that is to say, for four years, lacking six days, to 25 such poor artificers and people of handicraft, of honest name and reputation, being continually dwellers and householders within the said city and suburbs thereof, as to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty for the time being should seem meet; that is to say, to each of the said 25 persons 20*l.* taking from time to time good assurance, such as the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty would answer for true repayment to them and their successors, from time to time, both of the principal, and also for and after the rate of 10*l.* by the year, for the said 500*l.* to be always paid on the said Wednesday next before the said fourth feast of Michaelmas next after the putting forth thereof, as aforesaid; and if any decay should happen, by death or otherwise, of the same assurance, within any of the said four years, then for supply to be made, with other good assurance, from time to time, as to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should be thought meet; and touching the said 400*l.* residue of the said 900*l.* the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty for the time being should also, on the Wednesday next after Michaelmas, for ever, put forth the same until the said Wednesday next before the fourth feast of Michaelmas as aforesaid, to twenty artificers, weavers and tuckers of Tiverton; and in default of such, to others there of other honest trades and mysteries, of honest name, being also dwellers and householders in the town of Tiverton, that is to say, to each of them 20*l.* taking such good assurance, as well for repayment of the principal and for the rate of 8*l.* by the year, for ever, for the said 400*l.* as was appointed for the said sum of 500*l.* And he directed that the said 400*l.* should be always delivered and put forth to such of Tiverton, as by ten such inhabitants of Tiverton for the time being, as should be taxed most to subsidy to her Majesty, should be nominated to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, twelve weeks before the said day limited for putting forth the said stock; and upon the said nomination good sureties should also be nominated, and on every putting forth, be bound with the principal to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty for such repayment as aforesaid, or otherwise the said nomination should not be admitted, and then the same putting forth to be to such twenty persons of Tiverton, as to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should be thought meet, they taking such good assurances to all intent, as they would answer for as aforesaid; and touching the overplus of 18*l.* per annum, to be yearly received for ever, of interest of the said stock, he directed, that so long as there should be no decay of the said stock, it should go to the following uses:—

Forty shillings yearly, for ever, to the town clerk of Exeter for the time being, for keeping a book, containing the disbursements and receipts of the said stock, and the said denominations of principals and sureties, assurances and other necessary circumstances of the premises; for that his will was, that nothing should be taken of any party or parties receiving any part of the said stock, for the making or writing his or their assurance; and the other 16*l.* residue, to the said mayor, or bailiffs and commonalty, for their pains in the good disposing and preserving of the said stock, towards their supper, always on the said Wednesday limited for the receipt of the said money, to be taken where they should think meet, and towards one dinner to them yearly, for ever, on Saint Peter's day, in remembrance of him the said Peter Blundell, and towards such other good uses as to them should seem meet; but if and when any decay should be of the said stock, then to go and be to the supply of every such decay, until the same stock should be restored; and this course to be observed from time to time for ever. He further directed, that if any taker of any part of the said stock should make default of payment thereof, contrary to the true meaning of any such assurance as aforesaid, that neither he, nor any of his, should at any time after have any benefit by the said stock; and that no baker, brewer, butcher, tailor, innkeeper, vintner, taverner, hosteller, or tanner, or seller of beer, or any other victuals, or such as sold divers kinds of wares, which some called mercers, and others merchants, should take any part of the stock.

The earliest account we find of this charity is one commenced in 1752, by Mr. Benjamin Heath, then town clerk, from which it appears, that the sum of 180*l.* was at that time in the hands of nine different persons, having been lent out, pursuant to the directions of the donor, on good security; and that bonds for sums amounting in the whole to 100*l.* more, were deposited with the town clerk, which, from the poverty of the respective principals and sureties, were considered as desperate. The account does not enable us to state whether the sums thus on loan were advanced to persons of Tiverton or Exeter. In 1761, Mr. Benjamin Heath's account was audited, when there appeared to be twelve bonds for 20*l.* each in his hands, and a balance due from him amounting to 2*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* which was carried to account. On 26th January 1767, Mr. Benjamin Heath's account was again audited; at which time, ten bonds appear to have been outstanding, and a sum of 34*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* due from Mr. Heath was paid over to his successor, Mr. J. Heath, who received the principal and interest due on one of the above-mentioned ten bonds, and delivered over the rest, together with a sum of 23*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* which is stated to have been the balance of his account, to his successor, Mr. Ley, in 1775. In respect of six of the remaining nine bonds, Mr. Ley appears to have received, in the years 1786 and 1787, the sum of 163*l.* 6*s.* for principal and interest due; and in an account settled between him and the chamber in 1815, he charges himself with 130*l.* 16*s.* as the amount of interest, at 2½ per cent., on that sum, from 9th of May 1787 to 11th of January 1793, and at three per cent. from the last-mentioned day to the 11th of January 1815. He also charges himself with the balance



balance received from Mr. J. Heath, and he takes credit for 79*l.* as the amount of his salary, from June 1775 to January 1815, at 2*l.* per annum. The account was thus made out:—

	£.	s.	d.
Received by Mr. Ley from Mr. J. Heath - - - - -	23	15	6
For Principal and Interest on six Bonds - - - - -	163	6	-
Interest on 163 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> - - - - -	130	16	-
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	£.	317	17 6
Deduct salary due to Mr. Ley - - - - -	79	-	-
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	£.	238	17 6

The money due on the remaining three bonds has never been recovered, in consequence of the insolvency of the principals and sureties.

In 1815, when the account was stated between Mr. Ley and the charity, the chamber of Exeter were indebted to him in a sum exceeding the balance due from him to this charity, they therefore took that balance upon themselves, in reduction of so much of their debt to him. In March 1818 they gave their receipt, containing an acknowledgment of their having received 200*l.* on account of the charity, and an undertaking to pay four per cent. per annum for that sum; and they suffered the balance of 38*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* to remain in the hands of Mr. Gattey, the town clerk. No interest has been accounted for by the chamber since the receipt was given; so that there are now three years' interest due; and as the adjustment between them and Mr. Ley took place in 1815, there appears to be no reason why the interest should not commence from that period.

It will be observed, that the sum originally given by Peter Blundell amounted to 900*l.* which, in consequence probably of repeated losses arising from the nature and objects of the charity, had been reduced previously to 1752, to the sum then out on loan.

We are not aware that the chamber of Exeter could have prevented these losses by precaution or exertion, and it will probably be difficult to administer what remains of the fund according to the donor's directions.

No applications have been made for a loan of money from the charity for many years; and it does not seem probable that persons will be found to borrow so small a sum as 20*l.* at two per cent. when they are to be at the trouble of finding two sureties, and must pay the stamp-duty on a bond. We are informed that Mr. Ley, while he held the office of town clerk, went to Tiverton for the purpose of finding persons willing to avail themselves of the charity, but that he never could discover any one desirous of taking any part of the money under the conditions of Peter Blundell's will.

No part of the interest of the trust-money has of late years been applied for a dinner or supper for the chamber.

*John Davye's Gift.*—John Davye, alderman of Exeter, by deed indented, dated the 10th of February, 42d of Elizabeth (as appears from a recital in a deed, appointing new trustees, dated 30th of January, 16 Jac. I.) granted and confirmed to John Howell, then mayor of Exeter, and others, the reversion of two messuages or tenements, which had been demised by the said John Davye to John Claveff, in the 34th Elizabeth, for 99 years absolute, at the yearly rent of 4*l.* with one garden near the said two messuages, then in the tenure of the said John Davye, and certain messuages, lands and tenements, then used for almshouses, being four ground houses, with four chambers over, and courtlages, together with one garden and linhay, situate directly before the said almshouses, then in the tenure of the said John Claveff; all which premises were in the parish of Saint Mary Arches, and adjoining Saint Mary Arches-lane, on the west part. And by the same indenture, the said John Davye granted to the said John Howell and others, a yearly rent of 6*s.* 6*d.* issuing out of a tenement in the parish of Saint Kerrian, in the said city. And by the same indenture, he also granted and confirmed to the said John Howell and others, the rectory and parsonage of the parish and parish church of Mariansleigh, in the county of Devon, and the tithes within the said parish, belonging to the said rectory, and the parsonage house, and two acres of ground, called the Parsonage Close, and a house and garden adjoining, lying in one corner of the churchyard of the said parish church, newly erected by the said John Davye; and then in the occupation of the minister or curate of the said church, to hold all the said premises to the said John Howell and others, their executors, &c. for 10,000 years, for such godly and charitable uses as were in a certain schedule to the said deed annexed.

We have been unable to find either the original deed above referred to, or the schedule; but it is stated in Isacke's MS. catalogue, that the above-mentioned premises were granted to the uses following; namely, that the trustees should suffer the minister to enjoy the parsonage-house and tithe wood of the several woods and piece of land, during the time that he should be minister there and resident; that the said trustees should bestow upon the minister all the profits of the said rectory and parsonage (except the sum of 16*l.* 10*s.* per annum, which the said John Davye reserved for an almshouse, founded by himself in the parish of St. Mary Arches, in the said city); that the said trustees should appoint a minister so often as the said rectory should become void, and should also choose out of the said city and county two old men and their wives, of the age of 60 years at least, and place them in the two middle rooms of the said almshouse; and in the two end rooms a man or woman of the same age, and should pay every Saturday to the married men and their wives in the two middle rooms, 2*s.* 4*d.*, viz. 14*d.* to each of them so long as they should continue married, and to the two single men or women at either of the ends, 1*s.* 6*d.* to each of them, and if either of the married persons should die, the survivor should have 1*s.* 8*d.*; and if both the middle rooms should become single, then the four people should have 1*s.* 10*d.* each until the almshouse should be replenished. If the sole persons should marry, or the double persons after the death of either, they should be displaced; and it was directed that the almspeople should refrain from begging, and that no box should be at their door; that the overplus should be reserved in a chest, for the reparation of the said almshouse; that the said trustees should yearly, on the 20th of October, render an account of the premises; that there should be paid yearly to the mayor and town clerk, 12*d.* each; to the bailiffs, 4*d.* a piece; and to the sword-bearer and serjeants at mace of the said city, 2*d.* a piece; and that the aforesaid 16*l.* per annum should be applied for the support of the poor people in the said almshouse, and the said sum of 10*s.* for the poor of Mariansleigh aforesaid.

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The annual income of these almshouses amounts to 33*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* and arises from the various sources

No.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of LEASES.	TERM.
1.	Rev. Wm. Stabback	- - Annuity payable out of the rectory of Mariansleigh, in the county of Devon - - -	- - -	- - -
2.	Mary Hern -	- - A rent-charge payable out of the George Inn, in North-street - - -	- - -	- - -
3.	Mary Venton	- - Three tenements in St. Mary Arches Lane, comprising a public-house, situate at the corner of St. Mary Arches Lane, bounded on the north by Davye's Almshouses; also two tenements with gardens and shed buildings adjoining and fronting St. Mary Arches Lane	- - 1818, December 9th—Two lives, one of which has since dropped. 1820, April 19th—Two lives.	99 years, determinable on lives.
4.	Mary Venton	- - A small tenement adjoining the almshouses. A tenement on the north side of the almshouses, and fronting the street leading to Bartholomew yard - -	1801, November 24th.	99 years, determinable on lives.
Dividends arising from £. 232. 1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> Navy Five per Cents. -				
Total Income - -				

The messuages, No. 3, in the above statement, are supposed to have been built on the site which was formerly occupied by the two tenements mentioned in the above abstracted deed. That which is described as No. 4, is understood to have been built on part of the garden of the almshouse. The Navy Five per Cent. stock was purchased with balances in hand, fines having been received in 1811, of 200*l.*; in 1818, of 70*l.* and in 1820, of 100*l.* for renewals of the leases of the tenements in St. Mary Arches-lane.

	£.	s.	d.
In 1812, 120 <i>l.</i> stock was purchased for - - - - -	121	1	6
In 1820, 100 <i>l.</i> ditto - - ditto - - - - -	106	7	9

The whole is invested in the names of three trustees.

The annuity of 16*l.* from the incumbent of Mariansleigh, who is appointed by the chamber, the dividends of the stock, and the reserved rents, with the exception of the 20*s.* per annum, payable for the premises, No. 4, are received by Mr. Campion the accountant, and paid to the curator. It has been customary for the lessee of the last-mentioned tenement to distribute her rent to the poor people entitled, but Mr. Collyns, the present curator, has given her notice that he will dispose of it in future.

The almshouse consists of four tenements, of which those at the end of the building are occupied by two single women, and those in the centre by two married couples. This building has lately been repaired, and is now in good condition. The almspeople are appointed by the mayor and chamber of Exeter. The sum of seven shillings and eight-pence per week, amounting to 19*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* per annum, is distributed every fortnight among the inmates of the almshouse, in equal proportions to each tenement. This mode of distribution has existed for many years, but is not exactly in conformity with the deed of foundation, which allows a larger portion to the married persons. The dividends of stock also are equally divided among the almspeople. Besides these payments, and the expense of repairs, in respect of which, bills to the amount of about 15*l.* were due at the time of our inquiry, the following disbursements are annually made out of the income:

	£.	s.	d.
For insurance - - - - -	-	12	-
For water laid into the almshouses - - - - -	1	10	-
To Mr. Campion, for making out the annual account - - - - -	1	1	-
To the same person, for receiving the dividends and collecting the rents, 1 <i>s.</i> in the pound.			

The small fees to the mayor and other officers and servants of the chamber, have not been demanded.

Since the year 1812, when Mr. Collyns was appointed curator, the accounts have been usually audited every year.

At the last audit, which took place in December 1820, there was a balance due from the curator, amounting to 46*l.* 8*s.* -  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

The present scale of expenditure is somewhat beyond the annual receipt; but on a consideration of the probability of fines accruing, it is calculated that it may be continued without the risk of incurring debt.

Gift

mentioned in the following Statement :—

LIVES and AGES at the Date of the Lease.	FINES paid for RENEWALS.	RESERVED RENTS.	Clear Yearly Value, as estimated by a Surveyor.	—
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
- - - - -	- - -	16 - -	- - -	- - -
- - - - -	- - -	- 6 6	- - -	- - -
{ Nicholas Ferris - 21	70 - -	5 - -	20 - -	{ - - The premises are old, but in good habitable re- pair.
{ Rev. C. H. Collyns 31	100 - -	- - -	- - -	
{ Susanna Cater - 44	- - -	- - -	- - -	
{ Thomas Rice - 25	30 - -	1 - -	11 - -	{ In good and complete repair.
{ Edward Ellard - 26	- - -	- - -	- - -	
- - - - -	- - -	11 - -	- - -	
- - - - -	£.	33 6 6	- - -	

Gift of Sir John Acland, Bart.—Sir John Acland, by deed, dated the 20th of January, 13 James the 1st, as appears by a recital in a deed for appointing new trustees, dated the 12th of July 1649, for the reasons therein mentioned, granted, enfeoffed and confirmed unto Thomas Walker and eleven others, their heirs and assigns for ever, the rectory and church of Churchstowe and chapel of Kingsbridge, with all their rights, members and appurtenances, in the county of Devon, which some time belonged to the late dissolved monastery of Buckfast, together with all messuages, lands, tenements, commons, glebe lands, tithe of garbe, corn and hay, and all other tithes whatsoever, and all profits, &c. to the said rectory, church or chapel belonging (excepting to the King's Majesty, his heirs, &c. all woods, mines and quarries, and the advowson of the vicarage of the parish church of Churchstowe aforesaid), upon trust, yearly, for ever, to pay and deliver out of the issues and profits thereof unto the mayor and recorder and two most ancient aldermen for the time being of the said city of Exon, or to any three of them, the sum of 40 l. 6 s. quarterly; out of which said sum of 40 l. 6 s. the said mayor, recorder and two aldermen of the said city should retain unto themselves for ever, the yearly sum of 10 l. 8 s. to be by them for ever divided and employed in manner following; that is to say, that 52 s. thereof should in every year, quarterly, or within one month after, be by them paid and delivered to the wardens for the time being of the parish church of Saint Sidwell, without the east gate of the said city, for the buying and providing weekly, for ever, of 13 penny loaves of bread of a middle sort, commonly called cheate bread, to be bestowed and distributed every Sabbath-day, immediately after morning prayer, unto 13 such of the poorest sort of people of the said parish of Saint Sidwell, as the said mayor and recorder and two most ancient aldermen of the said city for the time being, or any three of them, should nominate and appoint to receive the same; and that other 52 s. thereof should in like manner be paid to the wardens of the parish church of Saint Mary the More, within the said city, to be distributed in like manner; and to the wardens of the Holy Trinity in Exon, other 52 s. for the same purpose; and to the wardens of the parish of Allhallows, in Goldsmith-street, in Exon, 26 s. for the like purpose; and to the wardens of the parish of Allhallows upon the Walls, in Exon, 26 s. for the like purpose. And upon further trust, to pay and deliver other 29 l. 18 s. (being the residue of the said 40 l. 6 s.) yearly, for ever, unto the said mayor and recorder and two most ancient aldermen of the said city, or any three of them, to be by them paid unto the mayor and wardens of the several boroughs and parishes following; that is to say,—

To the wardens of the parish church of St. Thomas the Apostle, near the city of Exon, for providing weekly, for ever, of 13 loaves of such bread, to be bestowed, as aforesaid, unto 13 such of the poorer sort of people of the same parish, as the parson or vicar, constables, wardens and overseers, or the more part of them, should appoint - - - - -	£. s. d.
And to the wardens of Broadclist, Devon, for the purchasing of 26 such loaves weekly, to be distributed as last aforesaid, to 26 of the poorest sort of people of that parish - - - - -	2 12 -
And to the wardens of Churchstowe, for providing weekly 13 such loaves, to be distributed to 13 such people in the parishes of Churchstowe and Kingsbridge, as the vicar, constables, churchwardens and overseers of the said parishes should appoint - - - - -	5 4 -
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	£.	s.	d.
And to the mayor of Barnstaple, for providing 13 such loaves weekly, to be distributed as aforesaid, to 13 such people of the said borough, as the mayor and four of the most ancient masters of the said borough should appoint	2	12	-
And to the churchwardens of the parish of Silverton, for providing such bread, to be distributed in like manner to such people of that parish as the parson, constables, churchwardens and overseers should think fit	2	12	-
And to the churchwardens of Bradninch, for providing such bread as aforesaid, to be distributed as aforesaid, by the mayor, constable, churchwardens and overseers of that parish	2	12	-
And to the mayor of the borough of Southmolton, for providing such bread as aforesaid, to be distributed as aforesaid, to 13 of the poorest sort of people of the said borough, as the mayor and four most ancient masters of the said borough should appoint	2	12	-
And to the mayor of the borough of Great Torrington, for providing such bread as aforesaid, to be distributed as aforesaid, to so many of such people of the said borough as aforesaid, as the mayor and four most ancient masters of the said borough should appoint	2	12	-
And to the churchwardens of the parish of Cullompton, for providing such bread as aforesaid, to be distributed as aforesaid, to 13 such people of that parish as aforesaid, by the vicar, constables, churchwardens and overseers	2	12	-
And to the churchwardens of the parish of Landkey for like purposes	2	12	-
And to the churchwardens of the parish of Pilton, 26 s., being the residue of the said sum of 20 l. 18 s. for providing six loaves and a half of such bread, to be distributed as aforesaid, to six or seven such people of that parish as aforesaid	1	6	-

And also upon further trust, yearly, for ever, to pay as a free gift from the said Sir John Acland, to the vicar of the parish of Churchstowe and chapel of Kingsbridge for the time being, the sum of five marks (over and above the said sum of 40 l. 6 s.) in augmentation of his yearly pension and salary, provided that he should preach in the said parish church of Churchstowe or the chapel of Kingsbridge once in every month at the least, except he should be hindered by sickness. And also upon further trust, that all the residue of the issues and profits of the said rectory, and church of Churchstowe and chapel of Kingsbridge, with the appurtenances (except as before excepted) should be paid to the said Sir John Acland during his life to his own use, and after his decease, to John Acland, esq. and the heirs male of his body, with other remainders over, with a power to the trustees and their heirs to retain out of the said residue such sums as they should necessarily have expended in the execution of their trust, upon rendering an account to the said Sir John Acland, or to the persons from whom such sums should be retained; provided, that if any or either of the several mayors, parsons, vicars, constables, churchwardens and overseers of the several towns, boroughs and parishes aforesaid, to whom any sum was given as aforesaid, should be negligent, or refuse or omit to bestow the same money weekly, in such a manner as was therein before expressed, and also should not yearly, for ever, within twelve days next after the feast of Easter, deliver unto the mayor and recorder of the city of Exon, or one of them, a true account in writing, as well how and in what manner, and to how many poor people of the several towns, boroughs and parishes they or any of them had respectively defrayed and distributed the sums to them respectively paid for the purposes aforesaid, and also how and in what manner they had respectively bestowed such sums of money as they had received from the said Sir John Acland for the binding out apprentices, or that the same should not be employed according to the direction in that behalf, they should for one whole year next after such default, lose the benefit of the said gifts, and the same should be paid unto so many and to such other parish or parishes in Devon, near adjoining to the said borough or parishes so making default, as the mayor, recorder and two most ancient justices of the peace of the said city for the time being should appoint, by writing under their hands, to be distributed as aforesaid. And also upon further trust, that if the town clerk of the said city should not yearly, for ever, at or before the general sessions of the peace to be holden within and for the county of the said city, next after the feast of the nativity of Saint John the Baptist, register in a book, as well the several accounts delivered to the said mayor and recorder, either touching the employment of the said monies for buying bread, or for the binding out apprentices, as also how the said sum of 10 l. 8 s. given for the five several parishes in the said city of Exon had been yearly distributed; or if the same should not be distributed according to the trusts aforesaid, so often as any default should be, the said feoffees and their heirs should for one whole year next after such default, pay the same sum of 10 l. 8 s. unto the constables, churchwardens and overseers of the poor of four other parishes near adjoining to the said city, by equal portions, for buying of bread as aforesaid; and upon further trust to pay to the said town clerk of the said city, yearly, who should keep the said register, out of the said residue, for his pains therein, 13 s. 4 d. And the said feoffees covenanted, that when all the feoffees (four or three excepted) should be dead, the survivors should grant the said trust premises to twelve others of the common council of the said city, and their heirs, upon the trusts aforesaid; and that the same course should be followed from time to time as occasion should serve; provided that if the said Sir John Acland should, during his life, be minded to bestow the said residue of the issues and profits of the said trust premises to any other uses and purposes, and should make known his determination to the feoffees and their heirs, by writing under his hand and seal, and that then the trust declared concerning the said residue of the issues and profits of the said premises, or any part thereof so declared to be revoked, should cease; and from thenceforth the feoffees and their heirs should for ever bestow the said residue of the issues and profits of the said premises, for such uses and purposes as the said Sir John Acland by deed should thereof newly limit and appoint.

The said Sir John Acland, by deed poll, dated the 20th of August, 17th of James 1st, reciting the aforesaid grant made by him of the said rectory and premises, and the power of revocation, and that he was minded to bestow the said residue of the said issues and profits of the said premises to certain other uses than in the said deed limited, did make known unto the said feoffees his purpose, and did thereby revoke the uses and trusts concerning the said residue, and did appoint that the said feoffees

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and their heirs should, for ever, bestow the said residue to and for such uses and purposes as were therein appointed; that is to say, that the said feoffees and their heirs should, for ever, pay out of the residue of the said issues and profits of the said premises unto the said mayor, recorder and two most ancient aldermen of the said city, or any three of them, the sum of 35*l.* 2*s.* quarterly, to be by them paid to the mayors and wardens of the several boroughs, towns and parishes in the said county of Devon, and the city of Exon, afterwards therein named, in manner following; that is to say:—

	£.	s.	d.
To the wardens of the parish church and chapel of Kingsbridge, for the providing weekly, for ever, 13 penny loaves of wheaten bread, of a middle sort, commonly called cheate bread, to be distributed every Sabbath-day immediately after morning prayer, to 13 such of the poorest sort of people of the said parish, as the minister, constable and overseers of the poor should appoint, the annual sum of - - - - -	2	12	-
To the mayor of the borough of Plymouth, for providing such bread as aforesaid, to be distributed among such poor of the said borough as aforesaid, as the mayor and four most ancient masters of the said borough should appoint - - - - -	2	12	-
To the mayor of Totness, for the like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the mayor of Dartmouth, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of the parish of Buckfastleigh, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the mayor of Tiverton, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of Hoviton, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of Chudleigh, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of Ashburton, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of Crediton, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of Winkley, for like purposes - - - - -	2	12	-
To the churchwardens of the parish of Dodbrooke, for providing weekly six loaves and a half of such bread, to be distributed as aforesaid unto seven such persons of that parish as aforesaid - - - - -	1	6	-
To the churchwardens of Halberton, for the like purposes as last aforesaid - - - - -	1	6	-
To the churchwardens of Bampton, for the like purposes - - - - -	1	6	-
To the churchwardens of Tedbourne St. Mary, for the like purposes - - - - -	1	6	-
To the churchwardens of St. Lawrence, in the said city of Exon, for the like purposes, the residue of the said sum of 35 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> - - - - -	1	6	-

And also that the feoffees should yearly, on the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, pay out of the said residue to the churchwardens of Tedbourne aforesaid, 5*s.* 4*d.* to be bestowed on Christmas-day, on 16 such people of the said parish; viz. 4*d.* to each, who were to be appointed as aforesaid; and further, that there should for ever be paid out of the said residue of the said issues and profits of the said premises, unto the town clerk of the city of Exon for the time being, 6*s.* 8*d.* over and above the said sum of 13*s.* 4*d.*, for the more careful and orderly registering the account of the particulars by the last deed given; all which said several sums amounted yearly in the whole to four score pounds. And the said Sir John Acland did appoint that the said feoffees and their heirs should pay the whole surplussage of the said residue of the issues and profits of the premises which should be over and above the said sum of 80*l.* unto the said Sir John Acland during his life, and that after his decease, 16*l.* should be paid out of the said residue yearly for ever, for the yearly pensions of two such scholars, to be chosen from time to time out of the free school of Exeter, and resident within the college, called Exeter college, in the University of Oxford (viz. to each of the said scholars, 8*l.* per annum) as for the time being should be appointed to receive the same, with the consent of the rector for the time being of Exeter college, the owner for the time of the capital messuage or mansion-house of Colomb John, the mayor and recorder of the city of Exeter, and the schoolmaster of the free school aforesaid, or any three of them. And for all the residue of the issues and profits of the said rectory and premises, the said Sir John Acland appointed that the same should be wholly paid to John Acland, William Acland and Francis Acland during their natural lives, equally, and to the survivors and survivor of them, and after their deceases, then to the heirs male of the body of the said John Acland, with other remainders over.

And the said Sir John Acland ordered, that if any of the several mayors or churchwardens of the several towns, boroughs and parishes to whom any sums were by the said deed limited to be paid for providing of bread as aforesaid, should be negligent or refuse or omit the performance of any of the trusts before-mentioned, and should not yearly, within 12 days next after the feast of Easter, deliver to the mayor or recorder of the city of Exeter a true account in writing how they had disbursed the said sums for bread, apprentices and otherwise, as before-mentioned, then the said feoffees and their heirs should from time to time for ever, for one whole year next after such default, pay the several sums before appointed to be paid to the said several boroughs and parishes so making default to so many and such other parishes in the county of Devon near adjoining to the said boroughs or parishes so making default, as the mayor, recorder and two most ancient aldermen of the said city should appoint, by writing under their hands, to be bestowed in bread, and distributed as aforesaid; provided, if the officers of the said parish of Churchstowe and Kingsbridge should at any time thereafter for the relief of the poor, rate the said rectory, or any part thereof, or any such person as should be tenant or farmer of the said rectory, or any part thereof, for or in respect of the said rectory, or of any part thereof, that then the said yearly payment of 52*s.* appointed to be paid for the poor of the said parishes of Churchstowe and Kingsbridge, should for every year whereon such rate should be so made, be paid to the wardens and overseers of the poor of the parish of Malborough, in the county of Devon, to be distributed in bread as aforesaid.

The sum of money referred to in the deed of the 18th of James the 1st, as having been given by Sir John Acland for binding out apprentices, appears to have consisted of 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* which was by indenture dated the 2d of January 1609, given by him to the chamber towards the binding out apprentices 14 poor boys and 6 poor maids of this city, with a fee of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each (five marks); this donation was probably made under the provisions of the statute of the 7th of James, c. 3, which directs, that the master shall give security to return the apprentice-fee at the expiration of the apprenticeship,

ticeship, that the money may be employed again in the same way. We cannot find from any of the existing accounts of the chamber, that any such apprentices have been bound out, and think it probable that sums may have been advanced as fees, and never afterwards recovered.

The property belonging to this charity is veated in twelve gentlemen of the chamber of Exeter, to whom it was conveyed by deeds of lease and release, dated the 3d and 4th of June 1818, by the heir at law of the surviving trustee, appointed by a deed of the 28th of March 1772. It is, with the exception of Efford's cottage after mentioned, described in the last lease granted by the trustees, which bears date the 8th of June 1819, as consisting of the tithes of garb, corn and hay, and all other tithes whatsoever, as well prædial as personal, great and small, and all obventions, fruits, oblations, profits and commodities whatsoever to the rectory and parsonage of Churchstowe and chapel of Kingsbridge belonging; and also of three closes of ground, one containing 11 acres, another one acre, and the third two acres or thereabouts. This lease was granted to Roger Steer, John Servington Savery, and Stephen Bickford, for seven years, from Lady-day 1818, and contains covenants from the lessees to repair the chancel of the church of Churchstowe, to discharge all rates and taxes, and to pay the annual salary of 20*l.* to the vicar of Churchstowe. The rent reserved is 320*l.* per annum, which appears to be the full annual value of the property demised. The premises were let by tender, but the counterpart of the lease has not been executed in consequence of a claim lately set up by the inhabitants of Kingsbridge, to hold their gardens exempt from tithes, and the lessees have retained 20*l.* per annum of the rent till the dispute is terminated. The annual stipend of 20*l.* payable to the vicar of Churchstowe, was, it is conjectured, the original endowment of the vicarage; it is not given by either of Sir John Acland's deeds. On reference to the earlier accounts of this charity, we find, that on the 25th March 1766, the premises above-mentioned were let for 14 years, at 104*l.* per annum; and again, on the 30th of April 1740, for 7, 14, or 21 years, at the same rent, which was paid until Lady-day 1782, when they were let for 7, 14, or 21 years, at 96*l.* per annum; the lessors covenanting to put in repair the barn, chancel of the church, and other premises then in a very dilapidated state, and the lessees agreeing to keep them in repair; the latter also covenanting to pay all outgoings. The premises continued at the same rent till Lady-day 1813, when a valuation was made, and the rent raised to 500*l.* which was paid till Lady-day 1816, when the tenant quitted. From that time till Lady-day 1818, the tithes were taken in kind, and appear to have produced 1,069*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.*, but the expense of collecting during the same period, amounted to the large sum of 955*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* so that the neat sum received in the two years amounted only to 113*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.*

There is also a cottage, with a garden part of the premises given by Sir John Acland, let to Walter Efford by lease, dated the 3d of December 1781, for 99 years, determinable on lives, at the rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* in consideration of a fine of 6*l.*

The after-mentioned payments are made out of the rent; there are no arrears of a date anterior to 1818, and for that year the payments have been made to all but two parishes. An account is kept, in which the individuals to whom money is paid, sign receipts for the payments:—

To the several places and parishes mentioned in the deeds, to be laid out in bread for the poor, is paid the sum of	£.	s.	d.
To the vicar of Churchstowe (five marks)	75	8	—
To the parish of Tedbourne	3	6	8
To the town clerk	—	5	4
To the bishop of Exeter	—	1	—
To the archdeacon of Totness	—	13	4
To two exhibitors	—	8	8
	16	—	—
	£.	97	2 —

It has been mentioned above that the property was let in 1782, at the rent of 104*l.* per annum; and as deductions were to be made from this sum for rates, taxes and repairs, and also for the payment of a stipend of 20*l.* to the vicar of Churchstowe, over and above the five marks above mentioned, the residue was insufficient to make the annual payments directed by the donor, and therefore a deduction was made from the sums paid to the respective parishes under the deed of the 20th of August, 17th of James the 1st, in proportion to the sums given to them by the founder. Similar deductions were made from 1782 till Lady-day 1785, in consequence of the money then necessarily expended in repairs of the chancel, &c. Since the last-mentioned period, the rent has always exceeded the payments made. A sum of 200*l.* was advanced to the chamber out of this balance, at four per cent. in 1798, the interest of which has been constantly carried to account. No settlement of the accounts took place from 1782 until Mr. Ley, the late town clerk, retired from office in 1815, when the balance was ascertained to be 581*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* Its present amount is about 1,300*l.* The directions of Sir John Acland have not always been attended to by the trustees since the period when the charity may be considered as having been solvent. An arrear of the annuity of 5*s.* 4*d.* to the parish of Tedbourne, for 32 years, amounting to 8*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*, was paid in 1818; and in 1816, the sum of 90*l.* was paid to the widow of the Rev. John Wilcocks, late incumbent of Churchstowe, for arrears of the annuity of five marks due to him at the time of his death in 1809. In respect to the non-payment of these sums, the blame, perhaps, in the absence of proof of any applications to the trustees from the persons entitled to receive the same, attaches to the latter; but we cannot but notice the omission of the appointment of exhibitors till Christmas 1811, previous to which time it does not appear that any pains were taken to make this object of Sir John Acland's charity publicly known. Two exhibitors were duly appointed according to the directions of the donor in 1811, one of whom received his stipend of 8*l.* until 1813, and the other until 1817. From Christmas 1817 until Christmas 1818, there was no exhibitor at Exeter college; at the last-mentioned date one was appointed, and since Michaelmas 1819, there have been two.

A question has arisen whether any portion of the considerable balance now in the hands of the trustees can be applied in augmentation of the annual stipend directed to be paid to the exhibitors, but we apprehend that the trustees have no authority thus to increase them; and that the other objects of Sir John Acland's charity have no claim beyond the sums specified in his deeds.

Rebecca

**Rebecca Borough's Gift.**—By Indenture, bearing date the 1st of October 1649 (as appears from a copy thereof entered in the book of accounts of this charity, which commences in 1716), made between Rebecca Tross, widow, daughter and executrix of Rebecca Borough, of the one part, and James Gould, mayor of the city of Exeter, and 11 others, of the other part; reciting several deeds, whereby she became possessed of a term of 500 years, commencing from the 25th of March 1632, in a messuage or tenement and several closes of land, called Nadder, in the parish of Whitstone, in the county of Devon, subject to a lease for 400 years, from the 25th of March 1635, at the yearly rent of 20*l.*; and also of a rent-charge of 10*l.* per annum issuing out of the said tenement, granted for the term of 395 years from the 20th of April 1639; and reciting, that the said Rebecca Borough, out of her charitable disposition to promote the good of the city of Exeter, had intended to leave a portion of money to be distributed yearly amongst the poor people of several parishes in the city and county of Exeter by the churchwardens and overseers of the poor, but had found that these monies were not disposed of as she desired; her mind being that common beggars and such men as had ordinary relief from the parishes, for whom the law had made provision, should not partake of her bounty, but that other honest poor housekeepers of the said city and county of Exeter, either old men or such as by casual means, and not by their own ill and unthrifty course of life, were become poor, or young men of honest life and conversation, born in the said city or county, or such as had truly served out an apprenticeship within the said city and county, and had not wherewithal to prefer themselves, should have the benefit of the same, by having such a competent sum of money given to several of them yearly, to the number of six persons or more, not exceeding 5*l.* nor less than 3*l.* to any one of them, whereby such persons might be enabled to furnish themselves with materials and necessaries to fit themselves to work for the maintenance of themselves and families or otherwise, as by the discretion of such persons as should be intrusted therein for the time being, should be thought most fitting and beneficial; and reciting, that to that end the said Rebecca Borough had purchased the above-mentioned premises and annuity, and intended to have settled the same in her lifetime on twelve honest and sufficient persons for the purposes aforesaid; but that the said Rebecca Borough died before she could accomplish her intentions, having made her will and appointed the said Rebecca Tross her sole executrix, who proved the will; therefore the said Rebecca Tross (desiring that the said charitable intentions of the said Rebecca Borough might be performed) granted to the parties of the second part, their executors, &c. the said premises, and the said annuity of 10*l.* for the residue of the terms she had therein upon trust, to distribute the same amongst six or more poor housekeepers of the city or county of Exeter, qualified as aforesaid, and in the aforesaid proportions (all necessary charges about the execution of the trust being first deducted), provided that any person who should have the benefit of the said gift should not be again admitted to receive the same within six years next following, and that none of the profits thereof should be given away without the consent of the trustees for the time being, or the major part of them, attested by the subscription of their names; and that certain times and places should be appointed for the meeting of the said trustees once or twice in every year, and that remembrance should be kept in writing of their proceedings in the execution of the said trust; and that there should be a yearly account made, between Michaelmas and Christmas, of the receipts and disbursements by one of the trustees, and subscribed by the rest who should be present at the passing thereof.

The present trustees of this charity consist of seven members of the chamber of Exeter, the town clerk, and four other gentlemen of that city. The estate called Nadder is now in the possession of James Pitman, esq. who regularly pays the rent of 20*l.* and the annuity of 10*l.* after deducting therefrom 2*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* for land-tax. The trustees hold a meeting annually on the Thursday before Christmas, at the Guildhall of the city of Exeter, previously to which petitions are presented by persons considering themselves entitled to the gift. At this meeting the applicants are examined by the trustees and strictly interrogated as to their claims, and a selection is made from them of those who are found most nearly answering the description in the above-mentioned deed, either being old and in reduced circumstances, or young and setting up in business. Persons who have ever received parochial relief, or who have had the benefit of this donation within six years, are not allowed to partake of it.

The annual charges in addition to the land-tax, are, a sum of about 12*s.* for receipt stamps, and for the attendance of the staff-bearer at the Guildhall on the day of meeting, and one guinea paid to the assistant town clerk for keeping the accounts, &c. Nothing appears to have been paid for keeping the accounts till 1800, when 10*s.* 6*d.* was allowed, and in 1817 the allowance was increased to its present amount. The residue (with the exception of an occasional balance of a few shillings which is carried to the next year's account) has been usually given amongst eight persons, in sums varying from 5*l.* to 3*l.* In 1820, it was given to four, at 3*l.* 10*s.* each, and six, at 2*l.* each; but the trustees afterwards found that in this distribution there had been a slight inaccuracy, as, according to the deed, the sum given to each individual ought not to have been less than 3*l.*

The persons who partake of the donation sign receipts on stamps, which are inserted in the book of accounts.

**John Martyn's Gift.**—John Martyn, esquire, as appears from an entry in Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue, by will, dated the 15th of October 1669, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, 400*l.* to be paid by his executor within one year after his decease; and he directed, that if it should happen that in the said time the said sum should not be paid to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, then it should be lawful for them to enter and take possession of two pieces of ground in the parish of Saint Thomas the Apostle, commonly called Wood Meadows, the inheritance whereof should be theirs for ever, and should be continued for the binding out of poor apprentices, as the mayor and justices of the said city should see fit.

It appears from the minute book of the chamber of Exeter, that the above-mentioned sum was paid to them by the executor of the donor on the 22d of March 1670, and that on the 29th of the same month it was lent to John Bayland at five per cent. About the latter end of the same year, the sum of 200*l.*, a moiety of the above-mentioned bequest, was laid out in the purchase of lands in Exe Island in the parish of Saint Edmond; and on the 5th of May the remainder was lent on bond to Mr. Richard Izacke, then chamberlain of the corporation. We cannot with certainty trace this last-mentioned sum any further, and cannot find that any interest for it has been accounted for by the chamber from that time to the present.

It will be observed that the whole of this property is let for terms of years, determinable on lives. It has been so disposed of for a considerable length of time, and we are informed that this is con-



sidered the most advantageous mode of letting it. The reserved rents, however, bear a very small proportion to the present annual value, as estimated by a surveyor.

From the smallness of the fine paid, and the rent reserved on No. 6, in the Rental, it seems probable that the tenements now standing thereon were built after granting the last lease in 1766. The premises are situated in that part of the town in which the woollen manufacture was formerly carried on to a great extent. In consequence of the decay of that manufacture, the property is much diminished in value; and we may remark, in proof of the depreciation, that no applications have been made for renewals of those tenements, on which there are only one or two lives existing.

The persons formerly appointed by the chamber to act as curators of this charity, appear to have been very negligent in the collection of the rents of these premises. On examining the accounts we find that during the curatorship of Mr. Lewis Portbury, which continued from 1754 to 1766, conventional rents, which, together with some arrears due at the time of his appointment, amounted to 95*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* are not accounted for as received by him. His account was audited in 1768, when a balance of 27*l.* 5*s.* 6½*d.* was found due from his estate, and paid by his representatives; but the sum of 95*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* formed no item in the account stated, and was therefore lost to the charity. His successor, Mr. Edward Walker, was curator from 1766 to 1802, during which period conventional rents, amounting to 99*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* appear in like manner not to have been received; his account was audited in 1803, and a balance due thereon of 182*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* but not including the sum of 99*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* was paid by his representatives.

In 1798, the sum of 200*l.* arising from unapplied rents and fines had been advanced by Mr. Walker to the chamber, and in 1803, 100*l.* more was advanced at four per cent. interest. In the last-mentioned year, Alderman Jenkins was appointed curator, who died in 1806; but no person was appointed to succeed him till 1812, when an inquiry took place into the state of the charity, and alderman Collins was appointed to the office of curator, and has since had the management of the charity, and received the rents. And in 1813, he received a fine of 30*l.* for the renewal of the lease of No. 4, in the Rental.

On taking the account in 1812, a balance of 160*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* was ascertained to be due from Mr. Jenkins's estate. Mr. Gattey, who settled Mr. Jenkins's account with the chamber, had a demand upon that body of 118*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*; and it was therefore agreed, that that sum should be retained by him, and should, as between the charity and the chamber, be considered as principal money, and added to the antecedent debt of the latter.

The remainder of Mr. Jenkins's balance, together with 39*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.* received by Mr. Campion for rent, from 1806 to 1812, which, after deducting 6*l.* 6*s.* allowed to the latter gentleman for keeping the accounts for six years, amounted in the whole to 75*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* was received by Mr. Collins. At this time the account between the chamber and charity stood thus:—

In respect of sums previously lent there was due from the chamber	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
Part of Mr. Jenkins's balance	-	-	-	300	-	-
	-	-	-	118	13	3
	-	-	-	£.	418	13 3

There was also an arrear of interest due from the chamber to 1812, of 95*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In 1819, the account was again stated between the chamber and the charity as follows:—

Principal, as stated in the former account	-	-	-	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
Arrears for interest due 1812	-	-	-	-	-	-	418	13	3
Interest on 418 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> for seven years, from 1812 to 1819	-	-	-	-	-	-	95	13	4
							116	18	-
							£.	631	4 7
Received by the curator from the chamber:—							£.	s.	d.
In 1818, Feb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-
In 1818, Dec.	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-
In 1819	-	-	-	-	-	-	71	4	7
							£.	131	4 7
								631	4 7
								131	4 7
Balance due from the chamber	-	-	-	-	-	-	£.	500	-

And at Michaelmas 1820, 20*l.* as the interest at four per cent. on this sum, was paid by the receiver of the chamber to the curator of the charity.

The following statement contains an account of the number of boys apprenticed by this charity since 1735, together with the premium given with each apprentice.

Curators.				£.	s.	d.
Hawker	-	-	1735	1 apprentice, premium	-	2 - -
Ditto	-	-	1736	3 at 2 <i>l.</i> each	-	6 - -
Ditto	-	-	1744	1 at 5 <i>l.</i>	-	5 - -
Ditto	-	-	1745	1 ditto	-	5 - -
Ditto	-	-	1746	1 ditto	-	5 - -
Ditto	-	-	1750	2 ditto	-	10 - -
Portbury	-	-	1762	1 at 5 <i>l.</i>	-	5 - -
				1 at 2 <i>l.</i>	-	2 - -
				1 at 4 <i>l.</i>	-	4 - -
				2 at 10 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> each	-	21 - -
Walker	-	-	1787			
Jenkyns	-	-	none.			
Collins	-	-	1813	5 at 20 <i>l.</i> each	-	100 - -
			1819	5 ditto	-	100 - -

In the year 1820, three boys were chosen for apprentices, and one of them has since been bound, and his fee of 20*l.* paid; but the parents of the other two had not been able to find suitable situations for their sons at the time of our examination, in February 1821, in consequence of which, the sums destined for their premiums still remained in the hands of Mr. Collyns.

It will be seen that long intervals have occurred without any advantage from this charity to the objects of it, and that no boy was apprenticed from it from 1787 to 1812.

Upon the late elections, notice by advertisement has been given in the Exeter newspapers of the number of boys to be put out, of the premium to be paid with each, and of the day of election.

In pursuance of such notice, meetings are held at the Guildhall, at which petitions are presented to the mayor and magistrates, who thereupon proceed to the election, and the premium is paid as soon as masters are found by the parents and approved by the magistrates. It is proposed in future to bind out one boy every year, with a premium of 20*l.*, and to add another as often as the income of the charity, arising either from rents, interest or occasional fines, affords a sufficient fund for that purpose; and we apprehend that this will be more beneficial to the objects of the charity, than allowing any further accumulation of principal. The fee of 20*l.* has been fixed upon, because a smaller sum is not likely to procure suitable situations for children. The apprentices have been appointed from the city of Exeter. The expenses incident to the trust are, a small sum for advertisements; 20*s.* for each indentures of apprenticeship; 1*l.* 1*s.* annually to Mr. Campion for keeping the curator's account, and 8*s.* 6*d.* also to the same person for receiving the rents, being after the rate of 1*s.* in the pound.

The following has been the state of the balances in the hands of the curator in each year since 1812:—

		£.	s.	d.
Michaelmas 1813	- - - - -	11	1	6
Ditto - 1814	- - - - -	17	1	8
Ditto - 1815	- - - - -	23	14	6
Ditto - 1816	- - - - -	30	1	-
Ditto - 1817	- - - - -	37	1	6
Ditto - 1818	- - - - -	84	11	- $\frac{1}{2}$
Ditto - 1819	- - - - -	72	12	8 $\frac{1}{2}$

The account to Michaelmas 1820 had not been entered at the period of our investigation; but when the premiums of the boys ordered to be apprenticed in 1820 should be paid, the balance would be considerably reduced.

We think it our duty to recommend, that the above-mentioned sum of 500*l.* should be invested on government security; and if the chamber of Exeter are to be considered liable for the 200*l.* received by them, but not laid out in the purchase of land, that sum should also be added to the principal, and the dividends thereof regularly received by the curator.

The following Rental shows the present state of the premises in Exe Island, which in quantity correspond with a map made of them in 1755:—

No.	LESSEES.	Tenements, Dates of Leases, and Lives now subsisting.	FINE paid for last RENEWAL.	Reserved RENT.	Present estimated Yearly Value.	
			£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
1	Mr. Cox - -	{ -- A dwelling-house and courtlage in Exe Island, and a garden detached, and four cottages adjoining the house.—1794, February 8th, for 99 years, determinable on three lives, now subsisting - - - }	{ 115 10 - }	{ 3 3 - }	{ 22 - - }	{ -- The house in good tenantable repair. The cottages very old, and defective. }
2	Mr. Kingdon -	{ -- A small garden, in front of several cottages, the property of the lessee.—1794, Feb. 8th; three lives - - - }	{ 12 12 - }	{ - 6 8 }	{ 1 - - }	
3	Mr. Pinhey -	{ -- A garden and stable, near the Mill Leat.—28 November 1767; one life - - - }	{ 2 10 - }	{ - 2 6 }	{ 3 3 - }	
4	Mr. Gould -	{ -- Two tenements and a walled garden.—1813, February 27; two lives - - - }	{ 30 - - }	{ 2 2 - }	{ 11 - - }	{ -- In fair tenantable repair. }
5	Sampson Reynolds -	{ -- Two small tenements and a walled garden adjoining No. 4, close to the Mill Leat.—1787, June 12; one life - - - }	{ 46 - - }	{ 2 2 - }	{ 9 - - }	Ditto.
6	William Ellis -	{ -- Five tenements and a garden adjoining the Mill Leat.—1766, December 11; one life - - - }	{ 6 10 - }	{ - 11 6 }	{ 28 - - }	Ditto.
7	Jonathan Worthy	{ -- A garden adjoining the Mill Leat.—1801, June 30; two lives - - - }	{ 12 12 - }	{ - 2 6 }	{ 4 10 - }	
			£.	8 10 2	78 13 -	

*Christopher Lethbridge's Gift.*—It appears from Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions, that Christopher Lethbridge, esquire, by Will, dated 17th of November 1669, gave to the mayor and common council of the city of Exeter, and their successors, all his messuages, lands, rents, annuities, &c. with the appurtenances, and all his part, purparty and portion of any messuages, lands, rents, annuities, &c. situate in the parishes of Saint Thomas the Apostle, and of Newton Abbot, Devon, or which were issuing out of any messuages, lands, &c. lying in the said parishes, in trust, to dispose of the rents and profits, first in the annual payment of 6*l.* in such manner as the gift of one Perriam, deceased, was employed; and after reciting that he had lately erected certain almshouses within the parish of the Holy Trinity, in the said city, containing six several dwellings, he directed that 15*l.* 12*s.* of the rents and profits of the said premises devised to the said mayor and common council should yearly, for ever, be paid towards the maintenance of six poor people living in the said almshouses, equally to be divided between them, and paid unto them monthly, one of which said poor people should be of the parish of Saint Mary Arches, and all of them from time to time placed there by the said mayor and common council; and he directed that the said mayor and common council

LESSEES.	Tenements, Dates of the Lease, and Terms for which they were granted.	CONTENTS.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Date of the Lease.
Thomas Northmore, esq. - - -	{ -- An undivided moiety of Gidley Marsh (the lessee is seised of the other moiety).—1797, May 2d; for 99 years, determinable on three lives - - -	{ A. R. P. 6 1 4	{ Lessee - - 30 T. W. Northmore 5 Charles T. Eales - 3
Mr. William Lee -	{ -- A dwelling-house, and two fields, called Haccombe Downs.—1784, December 14th; for 99 years, determinable on three lives. - - - - -	{ 10 3 36	{ Jonas Dennis - 9 John Dennis - 7
Wm. Baker, esq. -	{ -- A dwelling-house, garden and orchard.—1794, March 30th; for 99 years, determinable on three lives - - - - -	{ —	{ William Baker - 23 Nicholas Baker - 21 Josias Baker - 17

Immediately preceding the year 1797, at which time the present lease of the undivided moiety of Gidley Marsh was granted, it had been let at rack-rent, and produced 6*l.* 15*s.* per annum. We have no reason to believe that before the existing term it had ever been demised for years determinable on lives, nor have we been able to ascertain why so long a lease was granted. It had occurred to us, that as the fine was received by the chamber, the term had been created with a view to raise a sum of money which was to be lent to that body; but we were assured, by Mr. Alderman Westlake, the curator of this charity, who has been a member of the chamber nearly forty years, that it was not done with any such intent.

The premises called Haccombe Downs had been let for twenty-one years, which expired in December 1784, for 19*l.* per annum; and we cannot learn that they had ever been granted for years determinable on lives, previously to the present lease. On the 14th of December, in the last-mentioned year, they were let for ninety-nine years, determinable on three lives, to the late Mr. Alderman Dennis, who was at that time a member of the chamber of Exeter, and, as such, a trustee of the charity, at the rent of only 1*l.* per annum. In consequence of the length of time which has elapsed since the execution of the lease, we are uninformed as to the mode by which the amount of fine, being 280*l.*, was ascertained; but it is apprehended, that the course usually adopted by the corporation of employing a surveyor, who makes a report on the value, was pursued, as well with reference to the moiety of Gidley Marsh, as to this property. At the time the lease of Haccombe Downs was granted, there appears to have been no house upon the land; and although Mr. Dennis was under no covenant to build, he erected a house at considerable expense, which has since been much improved by the present tenant. Mr. Dennis sold his interest in the term to Mr. Blewett, who sold it again to Mr. William Lee, in the year 1804. The consideration paid by Mr. Lee for this property, together with some other land, which was formerly waste, and did not belong to the charity, was 1,400*l.* Mr. Lee became a member of the chamber of Exeter in 1808, and has lately applied for a renewal of his lease; in consequence, however, of doubts as to the propriety of such renewal, the chamber have not acceded to his request.

We apprehend, that consistently with the rules prescribed by courts of equity for the management of trust estates, great doubts must be entertained as to the validity of this lease; but as considerable sums have been expended on the estate, for which the lessee would probably have a claim to some compensation, and as one of the lives on which the lease was granted has already dropped, it may be questionable whether it would be for the benefit of the charity to take measures for setting it aside; but at all events, we think that the chamber have acted prudently in declining to grant a new lease to Mr. Lee.

The property in the parish of Newton Abbot has been usually let for years determinable on lives. There are a few trees on this tenement, but we are not aware of there being timber on any other part of the property of the charity.

The buildings on Haccombe Downs are in very good condition, and those at Newton Abbot in fair tenable repair.

For the conduct of the charity, a curator is elected by the corporation out of their body, who holds his office during their pleasure, and receives the rents and makes the payments.

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council should appoint one honest person to collect the rents of the said premises, and to dispose of the same according to his will; and for his pains therein, and keeping and passing, yearly, an account thereof to the said mayor and common council, he gave to the said person, out of the rents of the said premises, 40*s.* yearly; and he likewise gave out of the rents of the said premises unto the said mayor, and to so many of the common council as should be yearly present at the passing of the said account, 1*s.* a piece; and to the town clerk of the said city, if he should be present thereat, 2*s.* 6*d.* And he directed that the residue of the yearly rents and profits of the said premises, after the said almshouses should be from time to time repaired, and the rates, taxes, reparations and other charges incident to, or going out of the said premises, devised to the said mayor and common council, paid and discharged, should be for ever, yearly, paid to the governors of Saint John's hospital, in the said city, towards the maintenance of one or more poor boy or boys there, or for the binding out of apprentices from thence at the discretion of the said governors.

The following statement contains a rental of the property, which passed to the mayor and common council of Exeter, under the will of Mr. Lethbridge.

FINE paid for last RENEWAL.	Reserved RENT.	PARISH.	COUNTY.	Estimated clear present Yearly Value.	REMARKS.
£. s. d.	£. s. d.			£. s. d.	
150 - -	1 - -	St. Thomas	Devon - -	31 10 -	The lease was of the two fields only, the house having been built since the lease was granted. The land-tax was redeemed in 1800; since which the same has been added to the rent.
280 - -	1 - - 1 10 - land-tax.	- ditto - -	- ditto -	44 - -	
80 - - and surren- der of two lives - -	10 - -	{ Newton } { Abbot }	- ditto -	32 - -	

An almshouse, called Lethbridge's almshouse, is situate in James's-street, in this city, and affords a residence for six poor men, who are appointed by the chamber, one of them being selected from the parish of Saint Mary Arches.

It has been usual to confine the benefit of the charity to men; and the rule has been adhered to so strictly, that where a married man has died in the almshouse, the corporation have (however reluctantly) thought themselves compelled to exclude his widow from the almshouse. It appears to us, that as, by the terms of the will, "poor people" are directed to be maintained in the almshouse, the corporation are not bound to remove a widow under the circumstances above stated.

An allowance of 1*s.* 6*d.* is made weekly to each almsman, amounting in the whole to 25*l.* 8*s.* per annum, which sum is composed of the annuity of 15*l.* 12*s.* given for the maintenance of the almspeople, by Christopher Lethbridge, and 7*l.* 16*s.* per annum, bequeathed by the will of John Lethbridge, after-mentioned.

The almsfolks are entitled to no further sum; but Mr. Westlake, who, as curator, is allowed by the donor 40*s.* per annum, for collecting the rents and keeping the accounts, has given that sum away amongst them annually, on the 5th of November. He also gave each of them 20*s.* out of the fund, during a very severe winter, about two or three years ago. But it should be observed, that since 1811, a sum of 1*l.* 1*s.* per annum has been paid to Mr. Campion for entering the accounts.

The almshouse is repaired out of the monies of the charity, at an expense of about 6*l.* per annum, on an average taken from 1811 to 1819.

In addition to these payments, the following are annually made:—

	£. s. d.
For the water brought to the almshouse	3 3 -
Insurance	12 6 -
Chimney-sweeping	6 - -

The allowances are made of 1*s.* to each of the common council, and of 2*s.* 6*d.* to the town clerk, if present at the auditing of the accounts; and if those of more than one year are settled at any one audit, as is usually the case, the payments have been made on each account. It was manifestly the intention of the donor that the audits should take place annually.

The balance against the curator, at the time of the last audit on 14th September 1819, was 39*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

No sums are now distributed in the city of Exeter as the gift of Peryam, and therefore, no annual payment of 6*l.* is made out of this fund. The excess of the income of the charity beyond the expenditure was formerly paid to the governors of Saint John's hospital, in conformity with the directions of the testator. In their accounts for the years 1753, 1754, 1756 and 1758, we find acknowledgments of the various sums from Christopher Lethbridge's charity, but, since the last-mentioned year, no money appears to have been transferred to Saint John's hospital, with the exception of 50*l.* paid by the curator in 1805.

Instead of paying over the balances, the chamber have improperly borrowed at various times considerable sums of the curator, at an interest at first, after the rate of 4*l.* 10*s.* per cent. and afterwards at 4*l.* Money has been paid in respect of interest, from time to time, but not regularly, by the chamber to the curator.

In the years 1802, 1803, 1804, 1805, 1807, 1809 and 1813, no interest was paid, and in 1815, 20*l.* only was paid for interest. Upon an examination of the accounts between the chamber and this charity, we found that the former is indebted to the latter in the following sums:—

	£.	s.	d.
For money advanced in 1782 - - - - -	100	-	-
Ditto 1784 - - - - -	280	-	-
Ditto 1797 - - - - -	100	-	-
Ditto 1800 - - - - -	100	-	-
Ditto 1804 - - - - -	100	-	-
For three years' interest on 580 <i>l.</i> at four per cent. - - -	69	12	-
For half a year's interest on 100 <i>l.</i> at ditto - - -	2	-	-
For four years' interest on 680 <i>l.</i> at ditto - - -	108	16	-
For arrears of interest in 1815 (part having been paid) - -	12	4	-
For the annuity of 7 <i>l.</i> 16 <i>s.</i> payable in respect of John Lethbridge's gift, as hereinafter stated, for the eight years above-mentioned -	62	8	-
	£.	935	-

The chamber in their account with Saint John's hospital, which has been already stated in a preceding part of this report, are debited to the amount of 765*l.* in respect of the surplus of this charity, and there remains, therefore, a balance of 170*l.* in their hands.

At the time of our inquiry it was erroneously supposed by the chamber that the annuity of 7*l.* 16*s.* payable by them under the will of John Lethbridge, as hereinafter mentioned, to the six poor persons inhabiting Christopher Lethbridge's almshouse, was the interest of a sum of money borrowed by the chamber of the curator of this charity.

A claim has been made on behalf of the chamber to be allowed to retain the above-mentioned balance of 170*l.* as a fund for repairing the almshouses, and paying the annual sum of 23*l.* 8*s.* to the almspeople, and the other small charges directed by the testator.

During the existence of the present leases on which such small rents are reserved, the income of the charity, including the annuity of 7*l.* 16*s.* payable by the chamber in respect of John Lethbridge's gift, will be inadequate to discharge the annual payments above-mentioned, but we apprehend the chamber should give some security for the monies thus retained, and for the interest which has accrued since the last audit, and that they should account for the interest of the sum in their hands.

Saint John's hospital is entitled to receive the annual surplus, whatever it may be, and it appears to us that as the present leases determine, it will be the duty of the chamber to let the respective premises at rack-rent; and after making the various payments directed by the will of Christopher Lethbridge, to pay over the surplus for the benefit of that hospital.

**John Lethbridge's Gift.**—John Lethbridge, by Will, dated 3d February 1701, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exon, 216*l.* upon the following trusts; viz. that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, or such person to whom the same should be lent (as he willed the same should be lent), should pay interest for the same after the rate of five per cent. per annum, and that the interest thereof should be distributed by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, as follows, for ever; viz. 10*s.* part thereof, amongst the prisoners for debt, lodging in the room called the Shoe, in the prison at the south gate of the said city on the 5th of November yearly for ever; and 50*s.* other part thereof to the hospital of Saint John in the said city, yearly, for ever, towards the maintenance of the poor boys therein; and 7*l.* 16*s.* yearly, for ever, to the almshouses near the said south gate, founded by the late alderman Lethbridge, so that every one of the six poor persons that then did, or that thereafter should live in the said almshouses, should have 6*d.* weekly, for ever; he likewise gave to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for the only use of the Maids' hospital in the said city, 50*l.* to be employed, that there might be 50*s.* yearly paid for the better maintenance of the poor maids there for ever.

The annuity of 10*s.* has been regularly paid by the chamber to the debtors in the city prison. The prisoners in the south gate has been lately taken down under an Act of Parliament.

It will be seen by our account of Saint John's hospital and the Poor Maids' hospital in the present Report, that the annuities of 50*s.* payable to them respectively, have never, as far as we can ascertain, been paid by the chamber.

Our detail of the particulars of Christopher Lethbridge's gift contains a statement of the mode in which the annuity of 7*l.* 16*s.* has been disposed of.

**Stephens's Gift for Exhibitions.**—The Rev. Lewis Stephens, D.D. archdeacon of Chester, and rector of Droxford, in the county of Southampton, by his Will, bearing date the 14th of November 1745, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, directed that within six months after the decease of his widow, Philadelphia Stephens, 3,000*l.* should be received by four trustees named in his will, or continued on the securities therein mentioned till settled in the mayor and chamber of Exeter, in trust for his two nephews, and after their decease, in trust, for the benefit of exhibitions, according to the terms of his will; and he directed, that till the said 3,000*l.* was settled, five shares of the interest thereof should be paid to his nephew, Lewis Stephens, son of William Stephens, and the sixth share to Lewis, son of Oliver Stephens, and that when the 3,000*l.* was settled in the mayor and chamber, 20*l.* of the interest should be paid to Lewis, son of Oliver, and 80*l.* to Lewis, son of William, and the overplus of the interest to go as by his will was directed; and after the decease of the said two annuitants, the said 3,000*l.* was to be employed for ever in the assisting six exhibitors in the universities, or elsewhere, as his will directed; two sons of freemen, and natives of the city of Exeter, two natives of the county of Devon, and two natives of the county of Cornwall, all bred three years at least in the free school of Exeter, and chosen to the universities by the mayor and chamber of Exeter (except the six first exhibitors who might be chosen from other schools for want of persons qualified), and to continue exhibitors seven years, and no longer; and he directed, that if Lewis, the son of William, died first, his annuity, with the overplus of the interest, should be divided amongst six exhibitors until the annuity of 20*l.* should drop; and that if Lewis, the son of Oliver, died first,

first, his annuity of 20*l.* should go to one exhibitor, a native and son of a freeman of Exeter, until the annuity of 80*l.* should drop. And he thereby excluded all sons, grandsons, nephews and first cousins of all bishops of Exeter, deans of Exeter, dignitaries and canons of the cathedral church there, from enjoying the said exhibitions, intending the benefit of them for the laborious part of the parochial clergy, and the sons of country gentlemen of small fortunes, and for the advantage of the city; and he desired that no preference should be had to his relations, but that every exhibitor should be chosen by merit only. And he desired, that when the 3,000*l.* should be settled, the mayor and chamber should choose out of the freemen of the city, a sober, frugal, substantial person, who should be a tradesman and not an attorney, to pay the interest to the annuitants during their lives, and after their respective deaths to the exhibitors; which receiver should enter in a register the certificates of residence of the exhibitors, and should every year lay his accounts and the said certificates before the mayor and chamber of Exeter in the Guildhall, on some Monday between Christmas and Lady-day, as the mayor should appoint; and the mayor and chamber were to assign him a moderate salary, and enjoin him by oath or otherwise to act faithfully in his office, and not to take any fee or bribe from the exhibitors, who were to be styled Dr. Stephens's Exhibitors. And he appointed, that the overplus of the interest of the 3,000*l.* beyond the amount of the annuities, should be laid up by the trustees of the settlement during the lives of the two annuitants, for defraying the charge of the settlement, the receiver's salary and other necessary expenses; and that whenever there should be an overplus, 20*s.* of it should be laid out in buying classics, as the master should direct, towards augmenting the school library; but that if there was a deficiency of interest, the 20*s.* should be deducted out of the annuities, in equal proportion to the sum of each of them. And when both annuitants were dead, he appointed that the whole interest of the 3,000*l.* should be applied for the exhibitors aforesaid. And he directed, that if the natives of Devon or Cornwall should neglect to send their sons to the Exeter free school, the mayor and chamber should choose into the vacant exhibitions, sons of freemen, natives of Exeter, *pro hac vice*. And if the mayor and chamber, through any quarrel amongst themselves, or neglect, or design of serving friends or relations, should delay the election of the exhibitors longer than six months after any vacancy, the vacant exhibitions should be filled up, *pro hac vice*, within the next six months, by six trustees and guardians of the elections, whom he thereby appointed, two of Exeter, two of Devon and two of Cornwall, with a power whenever any trustee should die, for the remaining trustee for the same county or city to nominate another; and after the next six months, the nomination to devolve to the mayor of Exeter.

And he desired the mayor and chamber to take to them two learned clergymen, or more, of the said city or the county of Devon, to examine the candidates publicly in the free school, that any persons might hear the examinations and judge of the merit of the boys. And he insisted, that every exhibitor who should be elected, should within two months afterwards repair to Oxford or Cambridge and enter in some college or hall, and reside therein nine months out of the twelve, every one of the first four years, from the day of his election. And he required that every exhibitor should, for the four first years, send a certificate of such residence to the mayor and chamber, signed by his tutor and the bursar or steward of his college, otherwise the next payment of his exhibition to be stopt; and that at the end of the fifth year at farthest, he should take the degree of B. A. or quit his exhibition.

And if any of the exhibitors should be elected scholars or fellows of any college or hall, it should not deprive them of their exhibition if they should continue there, and send to the mayor and chamber a certificate of nine months' residence in the university; but if any exhibitor should enter into holy orders and accept a curacy, he should enjoy the exhibition one year longer and no more; and the exhibition of that last year should be delivered in divinity books, and not in money, to such exhibitor becoming curate of a parish, such books to be bought by order of the mayor and chamber upon their request to some clergyman, to direct them what the books should be. And he directed that 20*s.* of the last payment of every exhibitor should be kept back by the receiver, and employed by the mayor and chamber for buying books towards forming a library, for the use of the master and scholars of the free school of Exeter. And he also directed, that any exhibitor having kept four years' residence, and taken the degree of B. A. in one of the universities, and desiring to employ the remaining years in the study of the law in the inns of court in London, or the study of physic in the hospitals there, or the study of civil law, divinity or physic in any foreign university, might receive their exhibitions to the full end of seven years, on sending a certificate once a year to the mayor and chamber, signed by the chiefs where they should reside, setting forth where they were residing, and what they were studying.

And he directed, that any person duly qualified might be chosen under the age of twenty-two, and that before every election of an exhibitor, notice thereof should be given in the public news to the gentlemen and clergy of the county for which he was to be chosen, and that there should be no feast, dinner or entertainment at the expense of the benefaction or the exhibitor, on any day of election or at any time else. And he allowed the mayor and chamber to choose one of the exhibitors for the city of Exeter, to travel abroad for the benefit of trade, to spend four years in trading towns in foreign nations, and the other three in trade at home.

Dr. Stephens's will extends to considerable length, but the above abstract contains the most important of the provisions relating to the exhibitions.

An entry in the book of the receiver of this gift, dated the 15th of October 1799, states, that Dr. Stephens's legacy, after his death, continued in the hands of his widow during her life, and after her decease, in the hands of her representative, for the benefit of the annuitants, until the death of Lewis, the son of Oliver Stephens, the annuitant of 20*l.* on or about the 6th of October 1795, whereupon it became necessary for the chamber to endeavour to get the money paid; and for that purpose, application was made to Sir John Dyke, who after some investigation was discovered to be the representative of Mrs. Stephens; that the claim was for some time resisted upon different grounds; but that after a long correspondence with Sir John Dyke, his son and their agents, the matter was settled, and Sir John Dyke agreed to pay the legacy, with half a year's interest thereon; and that the same, amounting to 3,075*l.* was accordingly, in October 1799, paid into the hands of Messrs. Child & Co. bankers, London, and placed to a separate account in the hands of Mr. Henry Ley, then town-clerk of Exeter. It appears from the same book, that the legacy duty paid out of this sum was 58*l.*, and that in the same month the sum of 2,942*l.* was expended in the purchase of 4,862*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* Three per cent. Consols, in the name of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter.

Mr. Ley held the office of receiver of this charity till February 1805. The last payment to the annuitant of 80*l.* appears to have been made in July 1803.

One exhibitor was appointed by the chamber in October 1801, at 20*l.* a year, and continued to receive that annual sum till 1805.

In 1803, 105*l.* was allowed by the chamber to Mr. Ley, for his trouble and expense in procuring payment of the legacy, taking opinions, attendances in London, &c., by which the business was settled, without having recourse to legal proceedings.

The sum of 7*l.* was paid for a copy of Dr. Stephens's will, and 11*s.* 6*d.* for a power of attorney.

The following additional purchases of stock were also made during the time that Mr. Ley continued receiver:—

		£.	s.	d.			£.	s.	d.
In 1801	-	-	187	3	10	Three per cent. Consols, cost	92	19	-
1803	-	-	200	-	-	ditto - - -	109	5	-
1804	-	-	200	-	-	ditto - - -	114	15	-
1805	-	-	100	-	-	ditto - - -	59	-	-

This expenditure exhausted the residue of the sum received from Sir John Dyke, and the dividends of stock, except the sum of 35*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.*, which was in 1805 transferred at Messrs. Childs' to the account of Charles Collyns, esq. one of the members of the chamber of Exeter, who was then appointed receiver, and has held that office to the present time; during which period, the following appears to have been the number and amount of the exhibitions paid in each year:—

	£.	s.			£.	s.
1805, two exhibitions, at -	-	28	-	each.	1814, three exhibitions, at -	- 32 - each.
1806, two - - -	-	28	10		1815, two - - -	- 33 -
1807, three - - -	-	30	-		1816, two - - -	- 34 -
1808, four - - -	-	30	-		1817, one - - -	- 35 -
1809, five - - -	-	30	-		1818, one - - -	- 35 15
1810, five - - -	-	30	-		— one - - -	- 36 -
1811, five - - -	-	30	-		1819, six - - -	- 36 -
1812, four - - -	-	31	-		1820, six - - -	- 36 -
1813, three - - -	-	31	-			

Twenty shillings having been retained from the last year's payment, to each person who has held his exhibition the whole seven years, for the purchase of books for the library of the Exeter free grammar school.

During this period the following purchases of stock have also been made in the name of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty:—

		£.					£.	s.	d.	
1805	-	-	100	Three per cent. Consols, cost	-	-	-	60	5	-
1806	-	-	100	— ditto	-	-	-	60	5	-
			100	— ditto	-	-	-	61	15	-
1807	-	-	200	— ditto	-	-	-	123	15	-
1812	-	-	200	— ditto	-	-	-	118	10	-
1814	-	-	200	— ditto	-	-	-	134	15	-
1815	-	-	200	— ditto	-	-	-	122	10	-
1816	-	-	200	— ditto	-	-	-	123	13	-
1818	-	-	200	— ditto	-	-	-	159	5	-
			150	— ditto	-	-	-	113	-	9
1819	-	-	50	— ditto	-	-	-	36	1	3

These various purchases were made from the accumulation of dividends, in consequence of the exhibitions not being filled up, which is stated to have arisen from a want of candidates for them. In one instance, an exhibition was given up and another was refused on account of the extent of residence at the university required by the foundation.

The total amount of the stock now belonging to this gift is 7,200*l.*, the dividends on which, amounting annually to 216*l.* are received by Messrs. Child & Co. and remain in their hands till drawn for by Mr. Collyns, for the payment of the exhibitors.

The following are the only other sums which have been expended during Mr. Collyns's receivership, in addition to the payments to the exhibitors, to the 14th of February 1821.

One pound seven shillings for advertising the election of exhibitors in 1819, previously to which no such notice had been given of the elections, and 5*l.* a year fixed by the chamber in 1818, as the salary of receiver, and received by Mr. Collyns in that year for 14 years, to the amount of 70*l.*, which sum was given by him to the Exeter free grammar school society, instituted for providing prizes for the encouragement of the boys of that school. On the 14th of February 1821, there remained in the hands of Messrs. Child & Co. a balance of 148*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*; and Mr. Collyns had, at the time of our investigation of this charity in that month, given a draft upon that house to one of the exhibitors for 36*l.* and a draft to the master of the free school for 26*l.* to purchase books for the school; of which 5*l.* arose from the 20*s.* retained from the last year of each exhibitor, who has, since the establishment of this donation, held his exhibition seven years, and the remaining 21*l.* was given as arising from the overplus of the funds for 21 years, at 20*s.* a year.

The exhibitors are elected by the chamber from the free grammar school of Exeter. At the time of our investigation in February 1821, there were two exhibitors on this foundation of the county of Devon, and four of the city of Exeter, two of the latter having been appointed in consequence of there having been no boys of the county of Cornwall in the school qualified, according to the terms of Dr. Stephens's will. A certificate is required from the schoolmaster of the candidate's having been three years at the school, and there has usually been an examination by two clergymen previously to the appointment of an exhibitor; but there does not hitherto appear to have been more than one candidate upon any election.

It is required of the exhibitors that they shall go to the university within two months after their election, and that they shall take the degree of A. B. by the end of the fifth year. Certificates of



nine months' residence at the university have been also required from their respective colleges, during the first four years, but not after that time. The last year's allowance to each exhibitor, who has taken orders and accepted a curacy, has been laid out in books of divinity.

The accounts of this gift have been regularly kept.

The only audit that has hitherto taken place by the mayor and chamber was in 1818.

The trustees for the election of exhibitors, appointed by Dr. Stephens's will, do not appear to have been ever replaced.

A vacancy in one of the city of Exeter exhibitions was expected to take place shortly after our investigation, but we were informed that there was no boy at the Exeter school, properly qualified, who would be fit to be sent to the university before the beginning of the year 1822.

*Thomas Cooke's Gift.*—Thomas Cooke, of Pentonville, in the county of Middlesex, esquire, by his Will, bearing date the 28th of March 1810, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, or to the managers for the time being of the Ten Cells almshouses in the said city, 1,750 *l.* Three per cent. Consols, in trust, to apply the dividends, weekly, for the benefit and relief of ten parishionary almspeople for the time being, residing in the Ten Cells, by increasing the pensions or allowance to them in equal proportions. He also gave to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, or to the managers for the time being of Palmer's almshouses in the said city, 700 *l.* Three per cent. Consols, on trust, to apply the dividends in like manner for the benefit of the four parishionary almspeople residing in the said almshouses. He also gave to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, or to the managers for the time being of the Magdalen almshouses, in the said city, 2,100 *l.* Three per cent. Consols, on trust, to apply the dividends for the benefit and relief of the eight men and their wives, for the time being, residing in the said almshouses in like manner.

By a decree in the Court of Chancery, dated the 20th July 1812, it was ordered, that the several sums above-mentioned should be transferred to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, as managers of the said respective charities, and that the arrears of the dividends then due in respect of the several charitable donations should be paid to their order. These arrears amounted, in the whole, to 184 *l.* 5 *s.* 6 *d.*; those due in respect of the donation for the poor in the Ten Cells being 70 *l.* 17 *s.* 6 *d.*; those due in respect of that to Palmer's almspeople, 28 *l.* 7 *s.*, and those in respect of the gift to the almsfolk of the Magdalen, 85 *l.* 1 *s.* The expenses attending the establishment of the charity, and the power of attorney to receive the dividends, amounted to 45 *l.* and were borne by the three divisions of the charity, in proportion to their respective shares. Of the arrears, part was distributed shortly after the decree, among the poor objects of the respective charities, and the remainder forms a fund in the banker's hands, which has afforded occasional relief to the almspeople, in seasons of severe distress. The stock stands in the names of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, as managers of these charities, and the dividends are received by the Exeter bank, under a power of attorney from the chamber. As no commission is charged by the bank for the business done, a small balance is usually left in it.

The annual dividends on the legacy of 1,750 *l.* stock amount to 52 *l.* 10 *s.* and are disposed of in weekly payments made on Saturdays, to the ten poor persons in the Ten Cells, after the rate of 2 *s.* to each.

The balance in the bank on this part of the charity amounted, on the 30th of December 1820, to 37 *l.* 5 *s.* 4 *d.* The dividends of the legacy of 700 *l.* stock amount to 21 *l.* per annum, out of which the four poor people of Palmer's almshouse receive each 2 *s.* weekly. The balance on this account in the bank, on the day and year last mentioned, was 10 *l.* 2 *s.* 10 *d.* These poor people, being in greater want, have had larger occasional assistance, in addition to their weekly allowances, than the poor in the Ten Cells.

The dividends on the 2,100 *l.* stock amount to 63 *l.* per annum. It will be observed, that the testator directs that they should be applied to the relief of the eight poor men and their wives for the time being, residing in the Magdalen almshouses. These houses were formerly occupied by ten poor persons, but another was added some time ago; and the chamber, acting under the impression that the testator, who lived at Pentonville, was misinformed as to the number of poor people in the almshouses, have been accustomed to allow 2 *s.* per week, and at the end of the year a gratuity of 10 *s.* to each of the 11 almspeople. These payments amount to 62 *l.* 14 *s.* per annum.

The balance in the banker's hands on this account, on the 30th of December 1820, was 18 *l.* 10 *s.*

Cooke's gift is under the management of Henry Blackall, esquire, as the receiver thereof appointed by the chamber, to whom he renders an annual account of his receipts and expenditure.

#### MAGDALEN HOSPITAL.

This hospital, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen, and appropriated for the reception of leprous persons, existed at a very early period.

Bartholomew, who was bishop of Exeter from the year 1161 to the year 1184, by charter without date (the original of which is found amongst the documents of the chamber of Exeter), with the assent of the chapter of St. Peter of Exeter, granted for a perpetual alms to the lepers of St. Mary Magdalen of Exeter, five marks of silver to be received yearly from his treasury, two at the feast of Easter, one at the feast of St. John the Baptist, the fourth at the feast of St. Michael, and the fifth at the feast of the birth of our Lord; also the tenth of the toll ("Gabuli") of "Morceth," and the profit which should arise from the bark of his wood of "Chedelega;" and the said chapter, with the assent of the said bishop, granted to them for a perpetual alms, 14 loaves, to be received weekly from their common stock, which gift the said bishop and the said chapter gave to them from a motive of pity, and wished the same to be observed as long as they should keep themselves in manner therein-after mentioned; viz. that they should live chastely and honestly, and not exceed the number of 13 brethren, nor receive any leper with price or without price, except with the advice of the bishop of Exeter for the time being, nor should enter into the city of Exeter, nor wander elsewhere, except by the license of their warden, who should be appointed by the bishop; but if the bishopric should be vacant, or the bishop should be absent, the aforesaid matters should be disposed of by the advice of the better part of the chapter; but if the said lepers should not observe these things, the said alms

should be assigned to some good uses of charity by the disposition of the bishop, chapter and citizens of Exeter. Moreover, the said bishop and chapter, as they had learnt from the assertion of the ancient and better citizens of Exeter, testified that the said lepers had lawfully acquired and had long peaceably possessed the possessions and rents thereafter mentioned; viz. certain land lying near the chapel of St. Kerian, from which Algarus Pope and his heirs ought to pay them yearly 10 s. and one "sextertium" of beer; and certain land "in Cordewaneria," near the land of Richard the son of Andrew, from which Ralph the nephew and his heirs ought to pay them yearly 20 s.; and certain land over against the chapel of Allhallows, from which John Sellar and his heirs ought to pay them yearly 4 s. and one "sextercium" of beer; and certain land which formerly was "Guncel," from which Geoffry of Bristol and his heirs ought to pay them yearly 3 s.; and three parcels of land without the east gate of Exeter, which were of the yearly value to them of 2 s. 10 d.; and certain land towards the west gate of Exeter, from which Geoffry of Tunbridge, and his heirs, ought to pay them yearly eighteen-pence; and certain land near the burying-place of Exeter, from which they yearly received twelve-pence; and certain land not far from the chapel of St. Stephen, from which Henry Baker and his heirs ought to pay them yearly twelve-pence; besides which, they had for a long time past, and still had on the Wednesday and Friday in every week, toll of all the corn sold in Exeter, of which toll was due; and besides, on every Friday toll on all the bread sold in Exeter on which toll was due; they also had in the fairs of Exeter toll of all bread and corn of which toll was due; also, by the ancient custom of the good citizens of Exeter, one of the city was wont, for the love of God, on Tuesday and Thursday in every week, to collect alms for them through the city. Lest therefore, in the process of time, the matters aforesaid should be called in doubt, the said bishop by this writing and his seal confirmed all those things which required his confirmation in manner aforesaid, and testified the rest to have so been in his time.

This charter was confirmed by Pope Celestine III. in the second year of his pontificate, 1192.

In an old manuscript book found amongst the documents of the chamber of Exeter, purporting to have been compiled by John Vowel, alias Hoker, (who was appointed chamberlain of the city of Exeter in 1554, and held that office many years,) and containing various collections relating to this city, it is stated that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty were made patrons and founders of the hospital of the Magdalen, without the south gate of the city, by way of permutation between them and William Brewer, bishop of Exeter, in the 27th of Henry 3d; that is, that the said bishop and his successors should be patrons of the hospital of St. John, within the east gate of the city, which before appertained to the mayor and citizens; and that the mayor and citizens should be patrons of the hospital of the Magdalen, which before appertained to the bishop. It is further stated, that the mayor, bailiffs and twenty-four common council, were to choose yearly a governor or warden, who, by himself or his sufficient deputy, should govern and rule the impotent and sick persons in the said hospital, according to the orders and ordinances of the said house, which are there set forth.

In the same manuscript book is also given the form of an oath administered on the annual appointment of the warden of the Magdalen, containing an enumeration of the duties of that officer; viz. that he should collect, or cause to be collected, the rents, revenues, &c. belonging to this hospital; that he should pay, or cause to be paid, weekly, to each of the company and society thereof, their customary stipends; that he should be careful that the revenues and possessions thereof should not be impaired or wasted; that he should see the house, church and tenements belonging to the hospital kept in good repair; that he should not admit any persons into the house and fellowship, unless the same should be a sick person or a common allowed officer of the house, and that with the consent of the mayor and common council of twenty-four; that he should not let any of the lands belonging to the hospital without the consent of the mayor and common council; that he should not convert to his own use any of the profits of the said house or company; should at the end of the year of his office, yield an account of his receipts and payments; should not demand any allowance but that which was right and lawful; and should order and govern the brothers and sisters, sick people and company of the said hospital, according to their orders, ordinances and customs.

A Rental of the property belonging to this hospital will be found in the Appendix.

The estimated clear yearly value, and the observations in the last column of that rental on the state of the repair of the different premises, are founded upon the report of Mr. John Powning, surveyor, of Exeter.

In addition to the rents mentioned in the rental, this hospital receives a rent-charge of 4 s. per annum, out of lands adjoining the Blue Maids' hospital, in the parish of St. Mary Arches, now in the possession of Rebecca Philipps. This is stated in Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions, to have been given to the hospital by the will of Robert Chafe, bearing date the 20th of November 1575; it also receives 3 s. 4 d. per annum, part of a rent-charge of 15 s. 4 d. given by the will of John Baker, as has been already mentioned in page 151.

By ancient custom, one penny, arising out of the fees due on the admission of each freeman of the city of Exeter, and one penny on each plaint issued from the provost court of the said city, are also paid to this charity.

These small sums are carried to the general account of the hospital.

Both in Hoker's and in Izacke's manuscript it is stated, that Richard Orenge, esq. who became leprous and died in this hospital, was a liberal benefactor to it; but we have not discovered any trace of his benefactions, except a deed dated the 21st of June, in the 17th of Henry the 8th, by which the said Richard Orenge, esq. released to the master, brothers and sisters of the hospital and their successors, all his estate, &c. in a toft or garden on the south side of Magdalen-street.

Amongst the documents of the chamber of Exeter are found many ancient grants to this hospital, and deeds relating to the lands, &c. belonging to it.

For the purpose of ascertaining whether the charity is now in possession of all the property to which it is entitled, we have compared the present rental with the following:—

- 1st.—A rental contained in Hoker's manuscript collections, without date, but probably made about the latter end of the 16th century.
- 2d.—A rental contained in an account of the warden of the Magdalen for the year 1654.
- 3d.—A rental in a similar account for 1656.
- 4th.—A rental dated in 1752.
- 5th.—The rentals in the accounts of the receivers general of the city, from 1765 to 1804.

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The rentals of 1764 contain the following "rents of assize or chief rents," in addition to those in the present rental:—

	£.	s.	d.
Christopher Gildon, for a tenement in Southgate-street, in which Daniel Hole late dwelt	-	1	6
† The Dean and Chapter of Exeter, for divers tenements in the parish of St. Mary the More	-	16	3
The wardens of Exe Bridge, for Crickhillpit mills, in the parish of St. Mary Steps, and a cellar in Southgate-street	-	12	8
The heirs of Young, for a tenement in St. Olave's parish in the Southgate of the High-street, wherein Mr. John Acland late dwelt	-	6	8
† The heirs of Webb, for a tenement near the Broadgate, in the parish of St. Petrock, where Mr. Richard Mayne late dwelt	-	1	-
† The vicars-choral, for a tenement in the parish of St. Pancras, over-against the Broadgate, wherein Peter Southwood late dwelt	-	2	2
The heirs of Totbill, for a tenement in High-street, in St. Martin's parish, where John Parr late dwelt	-	2	-
The mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for two tenements in the High-street, in the parish of St. Stephen, where German Chapcott and Humphry Southcott late dwelt	-	10	-
The mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for a rent issuing out of the manor of Duryard	-	2	4
† The heirs of Crockhaye, for four tenements in the parish of St. Sidwell, overagainst the church	-	3	-
† The late king's bailiff, for divers parcels of land belonging to the hospital of St. John	-	5	4
† The heirs of Walrond, for a tenement in Bampton	-	4	-
† Richard Channon, for a meadow in the parish of Tallaton, near Tallwater	-	2	4
† John Peter, for a tenement in Aylesbear, called Rosamond's Ford	-	2	2
The heirs of Lake, for a tenement in Netherway, in the parish of Brixham	-	5	-
† The wardens of Sidmouth, for a tenement in Dawlish, called Southwood	-	6	8
The heirs of Nicholas Smith, for a tenement in Ide, called Hagetone	-	5	-

In the accounts of the warden, which contain these rentals, allowance is craved by the accountant for the above-mentioned rents, marked thus (†), as having been "anciently respited and not received."

The rental in Hoker's manuscript contains the same rents as those of 1654 and 1656, with the addition of the rent of 1s. payable by the cordwainers' company. The rent of 10s. mentioned above, as being payable by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for two tenements in High-street, in the parish of Saint Stephen, is also there stated to have been paid by the feoffees of Joan Tuckfield. It was therefore probably payable out of the two houses given by that lady for providing bread for the poor, as stated in page 165; and the rent of 5s. 4d. mentioned above, as payable by the late King's bailiff, is there stated to be paid out of the almshouse in Rock's-lane.

This is the almshouse stated in our Sixth Report to have been founded by Sir William Bonville, and to have formerly stood in Rock's-lane.

In the accounts for 1654 and 1656, the warden craves allowance for the rents, and several houses, held by indenture, lying near to the hospital, demolished in the late troubles, which could not be received.

Previously to the demolition of these houses there appears to have been a larger number of tenements belonging to the hospital, in and near Magdalen-street, than there is at present; but it is not improbable that when the houses were rebuilt, some of the tenements were united; and we have no reason to think that any of the lands near the hospital, of which a considerable part is extra-parochial, have been lost to the charity.

In the rental in Hoker's manuscript, and also in those of 1654 and 1656, amongst the rents of the "tenants, by indenture," is mentioned one of 6s. 8d. payable by the heirs of Suckspitch, for a close of ground and a marsh in the parish of Clist Saint George, called the Magdalen lands; but in all these rentals this rent is stated to have been respited and not received. This rent is probably referrible to a very ancient grant of Robert Suckspitch, who (as appears from an ancient document found at the Guildhall of Exeter) gave the moiety of his marsh in the manor of Clist Wyke, as much as Jordan Beutelheysse had inclosed with a ditch, and two acres of arable land adjoining thereto, to God and the altar of the Virgin Mary, in the church of Saint Mary Magdalen of the hospital of lepers, without the city of Exon, for a pure and perpetual alms, to be held of him and his heirs, by the service of a pair of spurs of the value of two-pence, or of two pence annually at Easter; and it was thereby declared, that the costs of repairing the said ditch should be borne equally by the said Robert and his heirs, together with him who should sustain and keep the service of the said altar.

It also appears from another document, that John de Brunton, parson of the church of Clist Wyke, acknowledged that he and his heirs were bound to pay, to the said altar of the Virgin Mary 3s. per annum for a certain marsh, which the brothers and sisters of this hospital had granted to him in fee farm, so that he and his heirs should not grant nor assign the said marsh to any religious house for sanctuary, or to the Jews, nor to any other place, whereby the chapel of the Virgin, which was near the chapel of Saint Mary Magdalen, might be disinherited.

The hospital is not now in the receipt of the rent of 6s. 8d. or of any other rent payable in respect of lands in the parish of Clist Saint George. The rent appears to have been withheld in the time of Hoker, which may perhaps be accounted for by the lands having been originally granted by Robert Suckspitch for superstitious uses. We find no trace of its having been subsequently received.

The houses and lands in the rentals of 1752 and 1765 appear to be the same as in the present rental, though there have been some alterations in the amount of the rents. Three chief rents are also omitted in the latter rental, which were inserted in the two former, although they had not been received for many years; viz. a chief rent of 6s. 8d. due from the heirs of Sir John Elwill, of which "a great arrear" is stated to be due in 1765; another of 5s. due from the heirs of Stafford for lands at Ide, stated to be then 44 years in arrear; and a third of 2s. 2d. due from the heirs of Bennett for Rosamond's Ford, in Aylesbeare, stated to be then 50 years in arrear.

Whether the chief rents which are not now received by the hospital ceased to be paid in consequence of neglect in the collection of them, or from what other cause, we are not enabled to state. It would probably be in many instances difficult at this time to ascertain the houses and lands out of which they were payable.

Mrs. Balle, who has for some years past occupied the small tenement, No. 14 in the Rental, rent-free, is the widow of Mr. John Balle, a deceased member of the chamber, who died in reduced circumstances. About the time of his death, this house fell into hand on the determination of a lease for lives, and Mrs. Balle has since been permitted by the chamber to occupy it without the payment of any rent. In the hospital accounts for 1815, a sum of 15 *l.* 4 *s.* 1 *d.*, and in those of 1816, a sum of 42 *l.* 3 *s.* 7 *d.* are charged for the repairs of this house after the determination of the lease. Mrs. Balle is stated to have been an object of charity; but it does not appear to us that she could have any claim upon the funds of this establishment.

Previously to the present lease of the cottage and fields at Broadlist, No. 19 in the Rental, they had been let for a term of 21 years, at a rack-rent of 4 *l.* per annum. No reason has been assigned for the alteration in the mode of leasing these lands; but it appears from the accounts, that in 1791, there was an arrear of rent due from the tenant to the amount of 24 *l.*

With the exception of these premises, and of the four small tenements in Magdalen-street, Nos. 21, 22, 23 and 24, in the Rental, all the property of the hospital appears to have been let for a great length of time, on leases for terms of 99 years, determinable on lives. These leases have of late years been renewed, from time to time, on the application of the lessees to the chamber, the conditions of such renewals being fixed upon the report of a surveyor, in the same manner as in the case of leases granted by the chamber of their own corporate property.

It appears to us that it will certainly be beneficial to the charity to let the lands, on which there are no buildings, on the determination of the existing leases, for short terms of years, at rack-rent; and that it is worthy of consideration, whether other parts of the property may not be advantageously let in the same manner. Since our investigation of this charity commenced, the chamber have agreed upon an application, previously made by the lessee of No. 17 in the Rental, to grant him a new lease, for the purpose of enabling him to add one new life, and to exchange one of the lives on which his present lease is determinable, for which he is to pay a fine of 350 *l.* This extension of the term has been considered reasonable, in consequence of the large sums, amounting to nearly 1,500 *l.* expended by the lessee in rebuilding and improving the premises; and the fine has been calculated with an allowance to him, in consideration of his having laid out so much money; but he has been informed that he is not to expect any further renewal of his term.

The existing leases are in general granted in the name of the brothers and sisters, lepers of the house and hospital of Saint Mary Magdalen, and under the common seal of the hospital, and are usually stated to be so granted with the consent of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, founders of the hospital; in some instances they are stated to be granted with the consent of the warden of the hospital, by name. But four of the present leases, namely, that of No. 9, dated in 1776, those of No. 12, dated in 1793 and 1801, and that of No. 15, dated in 1774, were incorrectly granted in the name of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and under the seal of the chamber, without reference to the brothers and sisters. These inaccuracies probably arose in consequence of no account of the funds of this hospital having been kept distinct from those of the general funds of the chamber for many years previous to 1804, till which period the rents and fines were received, and the payments made by the receiver-general.

In that year a separate account was opened for this charity, and has been continued to the present time.

Both before and since the year 1804, one of the chamber has been annually appointed to the office of warden of the Magdalen, but this appointment was little more than nominal; and from 1805, the rents and fines have been received, and the payments made by Mr. John Campion, the assistant town clerk.

Of late years, the mayor, on going out of office, has been appointed to the office of warden of this hospital for the ensuing year.

The hospital consists of a building in a fair state of repair, containing three houses of two rooms each, inhabited by three poor persons and their families; and another building, old and in bad repair, containing eight rooms, of which those on the ground floor are stated to be very damp, inhabited by eight poor persons and their families. Each of the poor persons have small plots in the garden, in which stands the old chapel, now consisting only of the walls and roof. A new roof has been added to it within a few years, at an expense to the funds of the charity of more than 80 *l.* Divine service has not been performed in this chapel for many years past. It appears from the accounts of the hospital, in Hoker's manuscript, that the annual allowance to the chaplain was in his time 40 *s.*; and in the minute book of the chamber there is an order, dated the 21st of February 1670, that Nicholas Yeo, an almsman in Mr. Wynard's almshouses, should have 12 *s.* a year for reading of prayers at the Magdalen hospital, as theretofore, by the hands of the proctor of the said hospital.

The inhabitants of the hospital are appointed by the chamber, to whom, on the occurrence of a vacancy, applications are made by petition from poor persons of Exeter, indiscriminately men or women, married or single.

We cannot ascertain at what time this hospital ceased to be a receptacle for lepers, in consequence of there being no persons of that description to be found. At the present time a preference is given to candidates afflicted with the disease of scrofula. We are informed that this practice has prevailed for the last fifty or sixty years, at the least; and it is not improbable that it has been acted upon since the disease of leprosy ceased. Those persons only who are afflicted with scrofula receive any relief in money from the general funds of the hospital. The sum of 1 *l.* 10 *s.* per lunar month, amounting to 19 *l.* 10 *s.* per annum, has for a considerable time been divided amongst them, the amount payable to each varying according to their numbers. At the time of our investigation in December 1821, there were six persons of this description in the hospital.

The residue of the expenditure consists of an annual sum of 2 *l.* 2 *s.* paid to Mr. Campion for receiving the rents, making the payments, and keeping the accounts of the sums laid out in the repairs of the hospital and the before-mentioned house, occupied by Mrs. Balle, and of the repairs and other outgoings of the tenements which are let at rack-rents. It will be seen by the rental, that the present amount

amount of the rents is 46*l.* 13*s.* exclusive of Baker's gift of 3*s.* 4*d.* and Chafe's gift of 4*s.* per annum. This income has been increased since Midsummer 1819, by letting the four tenements last mentioned in the rental, at rack-rent. In 1804, the amount of the rents was 21*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

From 1770 to 1804, the following fines were received:—

	Number in the Rental, for the Leases of which the Fines were received.			
		£.	s.	d.
1771 - - -	No. 17	36	-	-
1772 - - -	14	3	13	6
1774 - - -	15	58	-	-
1776 - - -	9	170	1	-
1780 - - -	17	90	-	-
1781 - - -	16	70	-	-
1782 - - -	20	35	17	6
1784 - - -	4	210	-	-
1785 - - -	14	6	6	-
1790 - - -	5	12	-	-
	17	16	15	-
1792 - - -	11	52	10	-
1793 - - -	19	50	-	-
	12	21	-	-
1795 - - -	2	50	-	-
	3	63	-	-
1796 - - -	1	44	-	-
1797 - - -	6	15	15	-
1798 - - -	7	15	15	-
1801 - - -	7	5	5	-
	17	210	-	-
	6	40	-	-
1804 - - -	12	21	-	-
	1	100	-	-
	18	42	-	-
		£.	1,438	18 -

Lease determined.

Ditto.

-- This fine appears, by the counterpart of the lease, to have been paid, but does not appear in the receiver-general's account.

Lease determined.

Lease determined.

Ditto.

Lease determined.

-- The counterpart of this lease is not found, but in the receiver-general's accounts for this year, a fine of this amount is stated to be received for a house in Magdalen-street, of William Bidwell, who was the lessee of No. 7.

Lease determined.

The fines received for renewals of leases since the separation of the accounts in 1804, are as follows:—

		£.	s.
1807 - - -	No. 13 in the Rental	-	5
1810 - - -	4	315	-
1813 - - -	10	100	-
	17	120	-
1815 - - -	8	56	-

In 1810, the sum of 250*l.*, and in 1814 the further sum of 200*l.* were advanced by Mr. Campion by order of the chamber, to the receiver-general, out of the monies in his hands belonging to this charity, at four per cent. interest, which interest had at the time of our inquiry, been paid to Michaelmas 1821, and carried to account, the principal sum of 450*l.* remaining due. Before the separation of the accounts, the fines were received by the receiver-general and carried to the general account of the chamber, and we conceive that the chamber ought, therefore, to be accountable to the charity for fines received previously to 1804, although we cannot say from what period a court of equity would direct the commencement of such account. All the existing leases, with the exception of a repairing lease of No. 6 in the Rental, granted in 1759, for which no fine was paid, bear date subsequently to the year 1770.

Assuming that the account may fairly, as between the chamber and the hospital, be commenced from the above-mentioned period, the latter would be entitled to claim from the former the amount of these fines, subject, however, to some deductions. The annual amount of the conventional rents, being at that time, as we have stated, 21*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* was little more than sufficient to make the usual monthly payments to the poor. The charges for the repairs of the hospital were included in the bills paid by the receiver-general to the workmen employed for general purposes by the chamber; and it would be difficult now to ascertain the precise amount of the sums thus paid on account of the hospital. Some expenses were also incurred by the chamber, in the surveys made of the property, on the renewal of leases. On an average of ten years, after the separation of the accounts, the annual charge for repairs appears, from the hospital account, to have been about 12*l.* per annum, which may serve as a guide in estimating the previous expenses for that purpose.

Under these circumstances, there would be considerable difficulty in stating with accuracy the balance due from the chamber to the hospital, but we think that, including the 450*l.* borrowed by the former since the separation of the accounts, it may amount to about 1,500*l.*; and we are informed, on the part of the chamber, that that body are willing to consider themselves debtors to the charity to that amount.

The accounts, as kept by Mr. Campion since 1804, have not been audited at any regular periods; the first audit was in February 1815. Other audits took place in December 1815, January 1817 and May 1819; and at the time of our inquiry they were prepared for being audited to the 14th of October 1821, to which time there was a balance in Mr. Campion's hands of 53*l.* 17*s.* 9*d.* without including the conventional rents, or the interest of 450*l.* due at Michaelmas, and subsequently received.

There were also due to the charity, bills to the amount of about 60*l.* for repairs.

In addition to the above-mentioned payments to the poor of this hospital out of the general funds, each of the eleven poor persons receives 2*s.* per week, and 10*s.* annually at Christmas from the receiver of Cooke's gift, as has been already mentioned, p. 195. The small annual sum of 1*s.* 8*d.* is also paid at Easter by the Tailors' Company, in respect of a donation under the will of Joan Tuckfield, mentioned in a subsequent part of the present report, and divided amongst the whole number of poor in the hospital.

It appears from a decree of the Court of Chancery, dated in 1633, that an annual sum of 2*l.* 12*s.* was at that time paid to the poor people of this hospital by the dean and chapter of Exeter; and the same annual sum is inserted in the before-mentioned rental of 1752, but it is not now paid. We have forborne to make any further inquiry as to this payment, or as to any of the charities under the management of the dean and chapter, as it is conceived that the exemption in favour of cathedrals, from the powers of the acts under which our commission is appointed, extends to the charities of which a dean and chapter are trustees.

If it may be assumed, that the application of the revenues of this hospital to the support of the description of persons now inhabiting it, is correct, as being as near as circumstances will permit to the original object of the charity, viz. the relief of persons afflicted with leprosy, which disease no longer exists, it appears to be essential to the comfort of those inhabitants, that a sufficient sum should be expended in the repairs and improvements of their dwellings, or, if it shall be found necessary, in rebuilding a part thereof. We apprehend, that the sum due from the chamber, together with the fine to be received from the lessee of No. 17, will amount to much more than will be required for these purposes; and it appears to us, that the residue thereof, and also all future fines that may be received for the renewals of the leases of those parts of the property (if any such there be), which cannot be advantageously let at rack-rent, ought to be invested in the public funds. The income of the charity will be thus immediately increased, and a further augmentation of it will take place on the determination of the various leases on which the property is now held, either by the improvement of the rents or by the interest of the sums received for fines. In proportion to these augmentations of the income, an addition ought to be made to the allowance of the poor inhabitants of the hospital.

#### PECUNIARY GIFTS.

*Joan Tuckfield's Gift of Money to be lent.*—Joan Tuckfield, widow, by her Will, bearing date June 14, 1568 (which has been already mentioned in a former part of our Report), gave 300*l.* of which the sum of 200*l.* was due to her from Roger Robinson, and the sum of 20*l.* from Richard Prowse, for which sums they had given their several bonds, payable to the mayor and receiver of the city of Exeter, the master and wardens of the company of tailors in the said city, and the governor, treasurer and consults of the merchant venturers of the said city, after her death, in manner therein mentioned, and the remaining 80*l.* of which was due to her on bond from John Pylle, William Chapel and Thomas Brewton; the said 300*l.* to be employed in manner following, viz. That in the council chamber, or some other place in the Guildhall of the said city, there should be a chest with three locks and keys, the mayor and receiver to have one key, the master and master warden of the tailors' company to have the second, and the governor and treasurer of the merchant venturers to have the third, who should yearly, for ever, on the 20th of June, meet at the Guildhall, and should then receive, as well the aforesaid sums as all such other sums as should, from time to time, be due by force of her will, which should be put into the said chest; and that on the 20th of July the same persons should also meet and deliver the same to such of the inhabitants and freemen of the said city, as to them should seem meet, but not at one time to more than five in number of one trade, nor to any one man above the sum of 20*l.* nor under 5*l.*, and that every of them so receiving any part thereof, should have the occupying thereof for two years, and from thence to the 20th of June next following, and on such 20th of June should repay the same; and for the repayment thereof should become bound by sufficient bond to the said mayor and receiver, master and master warden, governor and treasurer for the time being, as to them should seem meet; and for making the said bond, should pay the town clerk 12*d.* and no more, in consideration of which trouble the said testatrix ordered that there should be paid yearly to the mayor 5*s.*, and to the receiver, master, master warden, governor and treasurer, 3*s.* a piece by her feoffees out of her lands and tenements.

*Chappel's Gift.*—Thomas Chappel, in 1589, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, 30*l.* to be lent in sums of 5*l.* in the same manner as Mrs. Tuckfield's money.

*Cleveland's Gift.*—John Cleveland, in 1599, gave 200*l.*, to be paid to the mayor for the time being, to be lent in the same manner as Mrs. Tuckfield's money; 100*l.* thereof to poor tailors, and the other 100*l.* to other artificers.

*Christopher Spicer's Gift.*—Christopher Spicer, in 1599, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty 100*l.* to be lent as Mrs. Tuckfield's money; 40*l.* thereof to eight weavers, 30*l.* to three butchers, and the remaining 30*l.* to six bakers or other artificers.

*Hewet's Gift.*—Jane Hewet, in 1603, gave to the chamber of Exeter 10*l.* to be employed to the same uses as Mrs. Tuckfield's money.

*William Spicer's Gift.*—William Spicer gave in 1604, to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, 60*l.* to be lent to weavers and tuckers, in the same manner as Mrs. Tuckfield's money.

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*William Martyn's Gift.*—William Martyn gave, in 1609, to the chamber, 20*l.* to be lent to two or four artificers, after the order of Mrs. Tuckfield's money.

Of the seven above-mentioned gifts, Tuckfield's, Chapel's and Cleveland's, are mentioned in Hoker's manuscript. The others, being probably subsequent in date to that compilation, are not found there, but are, as well as the former, stated in Izacke's manuscript. This is all the information that we have been able to procure respecting these gifts, having found no document to show whether the sums given were ever applied according to the directions of the different donors, or whether any parts of them were lost by being lent on insufficient security.

We find, indeed, by an extract from the act book of the chamber, dated the 8th of November 1670, that a committee was then appointed to make inquiry after the benevolence of sundry benefactors of the city, and to make report how and where the monies were then settled, to the end the charity of the benefactors might be rightly preserved, and also to make an inspection into Mrs. Tuckfield's account during the time it was kept by Alderman Tuthill. But the account here alluded to was, probably that of Mrs. Tuckfield's gift for gowns and shifts, mentioned in a former part of this Report, of which a separate account was at that time kept.

*Gifts of Macey, May, Atwill, Whitrow and Berryman.*—We are also unable to state any thing more of the five following gifts to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, of monies to be lent to poor tradesmen, artificers, weavers, &c., except that we find the two first of them mentioned in Hoker's, and the whole of them in Izacke's MS.

	£.	s.	d.
1578.—Alice Macey	50	—	—
1592.—Hugh May	60	—	—
The interest at 6 <i>d.</i> in the pound, to be distributed to the poor in money or victuals yearly, on the 24th of March.			
1602.—Hugh Atwill	6	13	4
1602.—Philip Whitrow	16	—	—
1614.—John Berryman	100	—	—

*Nicholas Hurst's Gift.*—Nicholas Hurst, by his Will, bearing date the 22d of June 1604, gavē to the poor people of Exeter 40*l.* to be continued as a stock, and employed by the direction of his executor, William Pole, esq.

By deed poll, bearing date the 10th of June 1622, reciting the will of the said Nicholas Hurst, and that by an order of certain commissioners of charitable uses it had been decreed that Sir William Pole should pay the said 40*l.* and 46*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* more for damages, which sums, by mediation and agreement between him and the mayor and common council of Exeter, were reduced to 70*l.* which he had paid to the said mayor and common council, to be employed by the mayor and aldermen for the benefit of the said poor, according to the will of the said Nicholas Hurst, the said Sir William Pole renounced and relinquished all power or interest for the employment of the said stock of 40*l.* and the increase thereof, and directed that the said mayor and aldermen should for ever direct and employ the said stock for the benefit of the poor of Exeter, as in their discretion should seem convenient.

It is stated in Izacke's manuscript, that of the above-mentioned sum of 70*l.*, 6*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* was expended in the recovery thereof, and that the remaining 63*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* was in 1622 brought into the chamber. We find no further trace of this gift.

*Hamor's Gift.*—Ralph Hamor, by his Will, bearing date 5th of August 1615, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the mayor and his brethren of the city of Exeter, 100*l.* to be lent to two young men, new beginners, using the trade of merchants, to each 50*l.* for the term of seven years, freely, paying only to the town clerk 3*s.* 4*d.* for the bond, and putting in good security for the same. It is stated in Izacke's manuscript that only 75*l.* of this money was paid into the chamber of Exeter by the executors of Mr. Hamor, which was lent out to two persons equally, to either of them 37*l.* 10*s.*

An entry in the act book of the chamber, dated the 21st of February 1670, states that it was agreed that 37*l.* 10*s.* of Mr. Hamor's money should be lent to Walter Dight.

It also appears, from an old register, which will be more particularly mentioned under the following gift of John Peryam, that a portion of this money was, in 1690, lent to William Stapleton, but we find no subsequent account of it.

*Gifts of John Peryam the father, and John Peryam the son.*—By Indenture, bearing date the 20th of October 1616, John Peryam covenanted with the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, to pay them, before the feast of St. Andrew, 1,000*l.*, to be disposed of in the manner declared by a schedule annexed, and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty thereby covenanted to observe and fulfil the trusts expressed in the said schedule.

By this schedule the said John Peryam appointed that the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should retain to themselves 100*l.* part of the said 1,000*l.* as a free gift from him, and requested and appointed that the sum of 100*l.*, which had been given by his father, John Peryam, to be employed as in his will was mentioned, should be added to the other 900*l.*, and that the whole should, upon St. Andrew's day then next, and for ever after upon St. Andrew's day, in every third year, be lent to five merchant adventurers, trafficking beyond the seas, free of the said city of Exeter, and of the corporation of merchants there, and dwelling in the said city, with particular directions as to the description of persons who should be entitled to such loans. And he directed that each of the said five merchants should have 200*l.* and should give bond with three sureties, to be approved by the mayor, recorder and common council for the repayment thereof, on the 24th of November, in the third year after the receipt thereof, and that each of them should pay, at the time when he received the said loan of 200*l.* to the warden of the Magdalen, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the use thereof the first year, and should enter into bonds to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty to pay the several sums of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* on the 24th of November, in each of the two latter years; and he appointed that the warden of the Magdalen should receive the said money, amounting to 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and should yearly, with the advice of two justices of the peace, lay out 20*l.* parcel thereof, for relieving sick poor people inhabiting



within the said city, and in the parishes of St. David, St. Edmond and the Holy Trinity, and for easing and curing such poor people so inhabiting who should break any bone or receive any hurt, &c.; and he requested and appointed that the said warden should keep a book of his receipts and disbursements, and account yearly for the same, on the 24th of November, to the mayor, recorder and common council, and should have for his pains 32 s.; and that the mayor and other officers should have certain specified fees, amounting, with the said 32 s., to 6 l. 13 s. 4 d., making up, with the aforesaid sum of 20 l. the yearly sum of 26 l. 13 s. 4 d.

Some old papers were produced to us, containing receipts for five sums of 200 l. each, dated in November 1616, being the month after the above-mentioned deed was made, from different persons to whom these sums had been lent on bond, by the appointment of John Peryam, esq.

An old book has also been found among the documents of the chamber, the hand-writing of which appears to be the same as that of Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue of Benefactions, containing a register of this and various other pecuniary gifts hereinafter mentioned, and of the securities on which parts of those gifts had been lent out. There is no date to this book, but the bonds mentioned in it are of various dates between 1662 and 1703. According to this register, four sums of 200 l. each appear to have been lent, in 1671, from this gift, to as many merchant adventurers on bond, with three sureties to each, conditioned for repayment in 1674. There is at this time no company of merchant adventurers in the city of Exeter, nor are we enabled to state at what period it ceased to exist. [A book containing the proceedings to this company, from 1558 to 1604, has been produced to us, from which it appears that a sum of 40 l. was given to it by Thomas Prestwood, and a sum of the same amount by Henry Ellacott for charitable purposes. Walter Borough also, by his will, in 1632, gave 120 l. to this company, to be lent to the freemen thereof, and the interest to be disposed of for charitable uses. No farther trace is found of these charities, which were probably lost when the company ceased to exist.]

It appears, by an extract from the act book of the chamber, that, on the 13th of September 1670, the following order was made:—

"Whereas several great sums of money are due from several persons by bond to this city, which are given to charitable uses, and by reason that the accounts have not been made as heretofore; and whereas it is not certainly known from whom these monies are due, or in whose hands much of the said monies do now remain, it is this day ordered, that the same shall be speedily examined, and that such persons as shall have detained any of the said monies since the same was due by their bonds, that they do pay after the rate of five pounds per cent. for the detaining thereof, and that such of them as do refuse to pay in any of the said monies, being due by bond and demanded of them, be forthwith put in suit at law for the recovery of the same."

And on the 8th of November following, the before-mentioned order was made for appointing a committee to inquire into these charities.

It further appears from the act book, that on the 16th of March 1674, it was agreed 200 l. of Mr. Peryam's money, then lying in the common treasury, should be lent to Thomas Boyland, the master of the new workhouse, at five per cent. for his better encouragement, on his own bond, until it should be sought after by such as were appointed to the benefit thereof, and that in the meantime, a bond, under the common seal of the city, should be made for the better securing thereof, according to the directions of the donor.

It also appears from the same book, that in 1681, 200 l. of Mr. Peryam's money was lent to Christopher Spicer, on good security. This is the latest authentic account we have found of the disposal of any part of this money.

It is stated, in a note to the Alphabetical Register of Charities, published by Samuel Izacke in 1736, that the produce of this charity was then received by Mr. Hickman, yearly, and that there was then a considerable sum, to the amount of some hundred pounds, in his hands; but we have found no document to confirm this statement; and the observations upon the charities made by the editor of that book, do not appear to us sufficiently accurate to deserve credit, without receiving some confirmation.

*Gifts of Thomas Walker and Elizabeth Dowrich.*—These gifts were mentioned in a former part of this Report, in the account there given of the various donations to Saint John's hospital, in this city. The manner in which they had been disposed of was at that time involved in some obscurity. The gift of Thomas Walker consisted of 400 l. given by his will, dated the 20th of November 1628, to his executors, upon trust, to procure from the mayor and common council a rent-charge out of some of the lands of this city, of such yearly value as they should agree upon, and in default thereof, the said 400 l. to be laid out in lands, to be conveyed to the said mayor and common council; one moiety of the proceeds thereof, to be towards the founding a free grammar school, and the other moiety to be employed yearly towards the relief of the poor people of the said city, in such manner and to such purpose as the yearly gift of John Peryam was used, and to be in like manner received, paid and ordered by the warden of the Magdalen and the justices of the peace of the said city.

The gift of Elizabeth Dowrich, who was the daughter of the said Thomas Walker, consisted of 100 l. to be bestowed in land, the profits thereof to be distributed in moieties in the same manner as her said father's gift.

The following deed, found amongst the documents of the chamber since the making of the former part of the report, will show the manner in which these sums were disposed of.

By indenture, bearing date the 20th of May 1658, made between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, of the first part; Robert Walker, executor of the said Thomas Walker, of the second part; and James Pearse and others, of the third part; reciting the wills of the said Thomas Walker and Elizabeth Dowrich; and that the said Robert Walker had paid to the receiver of the city, 250 l. in part satisfaction of these legacies, as appeared by an acquittance under the common seal, and had constantly paid 12 l. 10 s. per annum to the warden of the Magdalen, or receiver of the city, and had, on the day of the date thereof, paid to the receiver the sum of 250 l. residue of the said legacies; the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for performance of the said trusts, and for the encouragement of other pious, charitable and well-disposed persons, unto whom the knowledge thereof should come, granted, at the desire of the said Robert Walker, to the parties of the third part, and their heirs, a yearly rent-charge of 25 l. to be issuing out of Duryard Mills, and the tenement or dwelling-house adjoining thereto, and the closes therein described, containing by estimation 27 acres and a half, in the parish of Saint David, upon trust, for the purposes before specified.

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From this deed it appears, that this rent-charge of 25*l.* was payable out of the Duryard Mill tenement, upon which another rent-charge of 30*l.* per annum was charged, by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, in respect of Dr. Bidgood's gift to St. John's hospital.

We have before stated that the sum of 12*l.* 10*s.* as the yearly interest of Walker's and Dowrich's gifts, appeared to have been received by the steward of that hospital, from the receiver-general, for the last time in 1735, and it is in the accounts of the hospital for the following year that we first find that charity in the receipt of the rents of the said tenement, the clear amount of which was then insufficient to pay even the rent-charge of 30*l.*

As a claim has been made on the part of the chamber against the hospital, to resume the possession of this tenement, the value of which is now considerably increased, and to have an account taken of the rents and profits, subject only to the payment of the rent-charge of 30*l.* per annum arising from Bidgood's gift, the above abstracted deed is of importance, as showing that the lands were subject to this additional incumbrance of 25*l.* per annum for charitable purposes.

One moiety of this annuity of 25*l.* belonged to St. John's hospital, which establishment is now in the receipt of the rents and profits of the tenement; but the other moiety ought, as we apprehend, to have been paid out of these lands, whether in the possession of the chamber or the hospital, and applied to the purposes intended by the donors as pointed out by reference to Peryam's gift, and ought now to be so applied for the benefit of poor sick persons, &c.

**Robert Walker's Gift.**—Robert Walker (as appears from Izacke's MS.) by his Will, bearing date the 10th of February 1663, gave to the mayor and common council of Exeter, 100*l.* to be paid within one year after his decease, and to be bestowed in lands within six months after they should have received the same, the yearly issues and profits thereof to be employed in such manner and to such uses as the moiety of the gift of Thomas Walker, his father, was employed for the behoof of the poor there.

This gift is not mentioned in the register above referred to in the account of Peryam's gift, and we have found no farther trace of it.

**Tucker's Gift.**—James Tucker, by his Will, bearing date the 10th of June 1643, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the chamber of Exeter 100*l.* to be laid out in land, the benefit to be bestowed as Mr. Peryam's and Mr. Walker's gifts were, but wholly for the parish of Saint Sidwell, which had not the benefit of those gifts.

This gift is stated in the same effect in the register mentioned in the account of Peryam's gift, but it does not appear how the money was applied, and there seems to be no reason to suppose that it was ever laid out in the purchase of land.

**Lawdy's Gift.**—Sir Richard Lawdy, of Exeter, by his Will, bearing date the 15th of August 1642, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the poor of Exeter 100*l.* to be disposed by his executrix.

It is stated in Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue, that this money was detained divers years, and that the executrix being questioned for the same by commissioners of charitable uses, it was agreed that the money should be paid into the chamber of Exeter and employed as Mr. Peryam's money, as by a receipt under the common seal might appear.

It appears from the above-mentioned register, that this sum of 100*l.* was lent to John Turner and Richard Gibbons at six per cent. by bond, due the 6th of February 1671, but we have no subsequent account of it.

**Ford's Gift.**—Thomas Ford, by his Will, bearing date the 11th of May 1659, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the chamber of Exeter 250*l.* to be employed towards the erecting and settling an hospital for maintaining and curing poor, sick, lame and wounded persons, inhabitants of the city and county of Exeter, according to the manner of Saint Thomas's hospital in Southwark, the said money to be paid within 12 months after his decease, and after the payment thereof, until the said hospital should be erected, to be lent out and the profit thereof to be employed in the same manner as the gifts of Mr. Peryam and others.

This gift is stated in the above-mentioned register, but it does not there appear in what manner any part of the money was applied.

**Evans's Gift.**—Richard Evans, by his Will, bearing date the 30th of March 1659, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter 500*l.* to be paid to Mr. Peryam's gift, upon trust, that the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty should lend the said monies to honest and frugal artificers of that city and county upon good security, under the common value of money, not exceeding 100*l.* a man for three years, the profit to be given to poor people of the said city and county, and the accounts to be made yearly as Mr. Peryam's were; the said 500*l.* to be paid by his son Nicholas, his executor, within one month after his decease, provided that if he (the testator) should pay the same or any part thereof, or secure the payment thereof by any other means in his life-time, so much of the said 500*l.* as should be paid or secured should cease; and he stated that he had secured 300*l.* of the said legacy, to be paid by Giles Moore in his life-time.

It appears by the said register that 100*l.* of this money was lent to John Birdall and Thomas Birdall, on bond, due the 10th of June 1665; and that another 100*l.* was lent to John Butler and Edward Butler, by bond, due the 30th of July 1672. No account is there given of the application of the remaining 300*l.*, nor is there any evidence to show that the 300*l.* stated in the will to be secured to be paid by Giles Moore, was so paid.

**Herman's Gift.**—Ralph Herman, by his Will, bearing date the 25th of July 1661, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, amongst other charitable donations, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter 400*l.* to be by the said mayor and 24 of the common council employed in the purchase of lands or otherwise, in the best manner they might, for the good and benefit of the poor of the said city; and he desired that the benefit and proceeds thereof should be yearly laid out by the mayor and aldermen for the relief of the poor people of the said city, and of

the parish of Saint Sidwell, in such manner as the monies given by Mr. Peryam and Mr. Walker were appointed to be, and as to the mayor and aldermen should be thought most fitting, deducting only 10 s. for keeping and ingrossing the account thereof on parchment, as was done for the monies of the other persons before named.

This gift of 400 l. is entered in the above-mentioned register, and it is there stated that 100 l. thereof was lent to John Birdall and Thomas Birdall, on bond, due the 28th of September 1673. It does not appear how the residue was then disposed of.

*Broking's Gift.*—Nicholas Broking, by his Will, bearing date the 5th of October 1666, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to the mayor and common council of the city of Exeter 400 l. for and towards the purchasing of lands of inheritance of the yearly value of 20 l. to the end that any two justices and aldermen of the said city for the time being should dispose of the rents and annual profits of the said lands, for ever, to such weak, sick and poor impotent persons of the said city as the said justices and aldermen should think fit; and he directed that before the said 400 l. should be laid out in the purchase of lands, 20 l. yearly, for the interest thereof, should be employed in like manner, and he desired that the accounts of his gift might be kept at such time and in such manner and form as those of the gifts of Thomas Walker and John Peryam were appointed to be kept.

It appears from entries in the act book of the chamber, that this sum of 400 l. was received by them from the executors of Mr. Broking in 1668. It also appears from the above-mentioned register, that 100 l. of this money was lent to George Tuthill, alderman, on bond, dated the 21st of September 1669; another 100 l. to John Martin, alderman, on bond, of the same date; 50 l. to R. Hooper and R. Warrand, on bond, dated the 25th of June 1670; and 100 l. to J. Parr and William Sandford, on bond, dated the 22d of March 1672.

In Izacke's printed Alphabetical Register of Charities (edit. 1736) it is stated that lands were purchased with this 400 l. the profits whereof were for many years received by Mr. Alderman Hickman, but not applied to their proper uses. We have not been able to discover any confirmation of this statement of the money having been laid out in lands, nor any further account of the manner in which it was disposed of subsequently to its being lent out in manner above-mentioned.

It may be proper here to notice that a sum of 20 l. per annum, as interest of 400 l. was as far back as the year 1704, and till the year 1775, paid by the receiver-general of the chamber to the warden of the poor and applied towards the support of the poor persons in the almshouse, called the Ten Cells, but since 1775 has been suffered to be in arrear. We mentioned this payment in the account given of that almshouse in a former part of our Report, without being able to show in what manner it originated, except that in a rental of 1704, the said sum of 400 l. is stated to be "a fine formerly had of the city estate."

We have found no ground for conjecturing that this sum was derived either from Mr. Broking's gift, or from the above-mentioned 400 l. given by Mr. Herman; but while stating these two gifts as not being satisfactorily accounted for, it appears to be fair towards the chamber to notice the payment of interest by them to the year 1775, for a sum of precisely the same amount, the origin of which payment is unknown.

It has been mentioned that particular directions were given in Mr. Peryam's deed for keeping the accounts of the receipts and the disbursements for charitable purposes of the sums received as the interest of loans under his gift, and frequent reference is made in the subsequent gifts founded upon his charity, to the manner in which such accounts were kept. We have not been able, however, to ascertain that any such accounts are now in existence.

It is stated on the part of the chamber that during the time of the commonwealth, large sums were advanced by that body for the public service, which were not repaid; and it appears from an order in their act book, dated the 3d of March 1653, that they at that time claimed from the existing government, a debt of 14,020 l. 2 s. 1 3/4 d. lent upon the public faith, and issued by the order of the deputy lieutenants of the city of Exeter; and it is suggested, that a part of the monies given for charitable purposes may have been applied at that time in aid of the large demands made upon the chamber.

If any of the earlier pecuniary gifts were thus disposed of (of which there is no evidence), the conjecture cannot extend to the gifts of Robert Walker, Tucker, Lawdy, Ford, Evans, Herman and Broking, all of which are subsequent in date to 1653; and it is to be observed that a considerable portion of Peryam's gift was in existence after that time. From the before-mentioned entry in the act book of the 13th of September 1670, it may be inferred that some part of the charity monies which had been lent on bond were at that time lost, or in danger of being lost, and subsequent deficiencies may have occurred in consequence of the failure of securities.

But it is probable that some parts at least of these sums were recovered by the chamber, and it is evident that the charitable intentions of those of the above-mentioned donors, who desired that the money given by them might be laid out in the purchase of lands, do not appear to have been fulfilled by the chamber to whom those gifts were intrusted.

In adverting to the gifts which are not accounted for, it may be proper again to notice a sum of 200 l. being the moiety of the gift of John Martyn, which was mentioned in a former part of our Report, p. 187, as having been lent on bond in 1671 by the chamber, and of which there is no subsequent trace; and also a sum of 100 l. given by John Lant for the benefit of the poor in William Hurst's almshouses, which is stated to have been due on bond from Humphrey Leigh in 1704, as before mentioned.

Whether under these circumstances, and at this distance of time, the chamber are liable to make good from their corporate funds the above-mentioned donations of money, or any part of them, can only (as appears to us) be satisfactorily ascertained by the decision of a court of equity.

*Walter Borough's Gift.*—Walter Borough, alderman of the city of Exeter, by his Will, bearing date the 18th of April 1632, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, 100 l. to be bestowed in land, or otherwise employed in the best manner they could, for the benefit of the poor of the said city; the yearly profit or increase thereof to be for ever given and distributed amongst them

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in bread, beer, wood or coals, against the feasts of Christmas and Easter, yearly, as to the mayor and common council for the time being should be thought most needful.

The application of this gift is also unaccounted for.

In a former part of our Report, we mentioned, that bread to the amount of 1 *l.* 5 *s.* at Easter, and to the same amount at Christmas, paid for by the receiver-general of the chamber, was distributed, together with the bread provided by the warden of the poor, in respect of Joan Tuckfield's gift, among poor persons of this city; but we were not enabled to state from whose donation such distribution was made. It may possibly have originated from this bequest of Mr. Borough, but the amount is insufficient to account for the interest of the 100 *l.* given by him; besides which, it appears probable that a part of the above-mentioned distribution at Easter and Christmas arose from the following ancient gift of John Slugge, and part of it may also have been derived from the above-mentioned gift of Hugh May, the interest of which was to be given in money or victuals, on the 24th of March, yearly.

*Slugge's Gift.*—It is stated in Hoker's MS. that John Slugge, lord of the house in which William Hurst late dwelt, in St. Petrock's parish, gave and devised out of the same, before he sold it to William Hurst, 20 *s.* annually, to be paid in bread every Midsummer, to the use of the poor, by the stewards of the city at the Guildhall; and that William Hurst, being loth to be troubled with the distribution of this bread, compounded with the city, and gave about 20 *l.* to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty thereof, for them thenceforth to pay the same; and that they had of late altered the day, and made payment thereof, yearly, at Easter and Christmas, with other like alms of bread among the said poor folks. In Izacke's Manuscript Catalogue, this donor's will is stated to be dated in 1486.

*Haydon's Gift.*—John Haydon, citizen and mercer of London, by his Will, bearing date March 6, 1579, among other charitable gifts, gave to the mayor, brethren and commonalty of the city of Exeter, 200 *l.* to be lent to four young men of the said city for four years each, at the rate of 3 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per cent.; such interest, amounting to 6 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.*, to be applied as follows:

To poor prisoners in the prisons in that city, 3 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* as the gift of John Haydon, mercer; to the poor of Woodbury, 1 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.*, and to the poor of Ottery St. Mary, 1 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.*

The information which we have obtained relating to the disposal of this gift arises, principally, from extracts from the act book of the chamber, from which it appears, that in 1634, the sum of 200 *l.* given by Mr. Haydon's will, was lent out to four persons in sums of 50 *l.* each, and that various other sums of 50 *l.* each were subsequently thus lent out. In 1651, Thomas Knot, who had 50 *l.* in his hands, requested that some allowance might be made to him thereout, for powder provided by him for the public service. A committee was afterwards appointed, who reported that Mr. Knot ought to be allowed 30 *l.* and the receiver was ordered to make that sum good to Mr. Lethbridge, who had the care of Mr. Haydon's money, that the same might be again lent out. In 1652, it was ordered that a suit at law should be commenced against John Barnard for the recovery of 50 *l.* of Haydon's money, and in September 1654, it was ordered that this suit should be proceeded in.

It does not appear whether this money was afterwards recovered; but in the following November, 50 *l.* of Mr. Haydon's money was lent to William Bodley, which, in 1660, was allowed to be continued in his hands three years longer.

The following sums were also lent from this fund.

In 1656, 50 *l.*; in 1662, 50 *l.*; in 1666, two sums of 50 *l.*, and in 1673 the sum of 100 *l.* was lent to one person. In 1674, amongst various sums stated to have been advanced by the chamber, for purchasing land and erecting a public workhouse thereon, in the parish of St. Sidwell, a sum of 50 *l.* is mentioned to have been received of Mr. Paige and Mr. Reynolds, as part of Mr. Haydon's money due on bond. In January 1682, Mr. George Saffyn was desired to pay 20 *s.* of Mr. John Haydon's money, of which he was the accountant, to a prisoner in the Southgate for debt, towards his enlargement. In June in the same year, he was ordered to pay 9 *l.* to the keeper of the prison, towards the relief of the poor prisoners therein; and in June 1683, it was ordered, that the said Mr. George Saffyn should pay to the keeper of the Southgate prison a balance of 11 *l.* 12 *s.* 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* due to him for money advanced by order of the chamber for the maintenance of several poor prisoners there.

We find no subsequent account of any loan of this money, nor have we been able to discover the accounts, which appear to have been formerly kept by the accountant of this gift.

The annual sum of 1 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* has been constantly paid to the parish officers of Woodbury by the receiver-general of the chamber to the present time. The application will be inquired into amongst the charities of that parish. The same annual sum appears, by the receiver-general's account, to have been paid to the parish of Ottery St. Mary, till the year 1738; since that time, this payment has been neglected, and no demand of it appears to have been made on the part of the parish of Ottery, till very lately; but we understand that it is the intention of the chamber to pay the arrears due.

In our investigation of the charities of the last-mentioned parish, the result of which appears in a former part of our Report, we found no trace of this gift. The arrears, when received by that parish, and the future payments, ought to be employed for the benefit of the poor thereof.

We find no account of any payments in money to poor prisoners in respect of this gift subsequently to 1683; but it is proper to state, that a distribution of bread to the amount of 1 *s.* per week, or 2 *l.* 12 *s.* per annum, is made to the poor debtors in the city prison, and paid for by the receiver-general of the chamber, and that we have not met with any donation vested in the chamber for that specific purpose, except the gift of Lawrence Seldon, which is otherwise accounted for. It is possible, therefore, that this bread may have been in respect of Haydon's gift; but this rests merely on conjecture.

From the above-mentioned extracts from the act book, it seems not improbable that a portion of the 200 *l.* given by Mr. Haydon was lost, by being lent on insufficient security; but that part of it, which was paid towards the erection of the workhouse, must be considered as having been applied to a purpose not contemplated by the donor.

*Gifford's Gift.*—Catherine Gifford, widow, by her Will, bearing date the 10th of March 1665, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave 100*l.* to be kept in stock or store for ever, by the chamber of the city of Exeter, and by them the best way employed, that the yearly profit and benefit thereof might redound to six poor widow women of the said city, such as the said chamber from time to time should think fit.

It is stated in the before-mentioned register, that this sum of 100*l.* was secured to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, by the bond of Nicholas and Samuel Izacke, but the date of that bond is not given.

It appears from the accounts of the receiver-general of the chamber for the year 1765, that there was then paid quarterly to each of six poor widows 4*s.* 3*d.*, making in the whole 5*l.* 2*s.* per annum, in respect of this gift.

An annual distribution has been continued to the present time, but the amount of it has varied.

These variations have probably occurred in consequence of the number of widows not having been kept complete.

The objects who partake of this charity are poor widows of Exeter, appointed by the chamber.

The amount of the distribution was:

				£.	s.	d.					£.	s.	d.
In 1803	-	-	-	1	14	-	In 1813	-	-	-	5	2	-
1804	-	-	-	1	9	9	1814	-	-	-	5	2	-
1805	-	-	-	2	15	3	1815	-	-	-	5	4	-
1806	-	-	-	5	2	-	1816	-	-	-	4	9	-
1807	-	-	-	2	19	9	1817	-	-	-	5	1	-
1808	-	-	-	5	2	-	1818	-	-	-	5	1	-
1809	-	-	-	2	6	9	1819	-	-	-	5	1	9
1810	-	-	-	2	19	6	1820	-	-	-	5	2	-
1811	-	-	-	3	16	6	1821	-	-	-	5	2	-
1812	-	-	-	6	7	-							

Of late years, the number has been increased from six, to which the donation ought to be restricted, as specified by Mrs. Gifford, to eight, three of whom, at the present time, receive 3*s.* 6*d.* each per quarter, and the remaining five 3*s.* each per quarter.

Pensions payable to Four Poor Men out of His Majesty's Land Revenue.—By Letters Patent, bearing date the 8th of November, 4th Elizabeth, (found amongst the documents of the chamber of Exeter,) after reciting that twelve poor men or almsmen were maintained in twelve small houses, situate in a certain place called Combrew, in the city of Exeter, with an allowance of 7*d.* per week to each of them, of the foundation of Lord Bonville, which almshouses were noticed in a former part of our Report; and also reciting, that there had been immemorially, and then were, four other poor men or almsmen, each of whom, for the time being, had 21*s.* 8*d.* per annum for their support, of the foundation of the prior and convent of the late hospital of St. John the Baptist, within the east gate of the said city, the nomination and appointment of which poor men belonged to her Majesty and successors, her Majesty desiring the continuance of the said foundations, and that the poor of the said city might be the better sustained according to the institutions thereof; and because, upon the death of any of the said poor men, the persons of that description within the said city were better known to the mayor and aldermen thereof for the time being, than to her said Majesty, granted to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, and their successors, that the mayor and aldermen thereof, or the major part of them, should have full power and authority at all times thereafter, at their discretion, when vacancies of the said poor men should happen, by death or otherwise, to nominate and appoint others of the poor of the said city, provided that it might be lawful for her Majesty, and her successors for ever thereafter, within two months after the death of any one of the said poor persons, to appoint another from the poor of the said city.

The only information we were able to obtain at Exeter, relating to the above-mentioned allowances to four poor men, was, that Mr. Beavis Wood, who was the receiver of the Crown rents for the county of Devon, and who died in 1814, used to pay to two poor old men of Exeter, whom he employed in collecting the Crown rents due in that city, 1*l.* 1*s.* per annum each, but that these payments were discontinued before his death. Upon inquiries made at the office for the receipt of Crown rents in London, we are informed, that an annual sum of 3*l.* 18*s.*, making with a sum of 8*s.* 8*d.* for Exchequer fees, 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* per annum, being the total amount of the above-mentioned allowances, is accounted for as paid to Michaelmas 1799, as a "pension payable to the four poor in the hospital of St. John, Exeter," leaving an arrear due of 85*l.* 16*s.* for twenty-two years to Michaelmas 1821; but that, on the other hand, a fee-farm rent of 1*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* per annum is due to the Crown, for "the house and site of the late hospital or house of St. John, of Exeter, together with all messuages and lands thereunto belonging;" and that there is an arrear due of this rent for 46 years to Michaelmas 1821, amounting, with 1*s.* per annum for acquittances, to 55*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.*, leaving a balance due from the Crown of 29*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

The rent of 1*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* per annum was reserved upon the grant made by the Crown, in the 32d of Henry the 8th, after the suppression of the ancient establishment of St. John's hospital, of the site of that hospital to Thomas Carewe, esquire, by whose descendants it was sold to Hugh Crossing, esquire, and after his death, settled by his widow and son for the purposes to which it is now applied, as stated in a former part of our Report.

We have not been able to find any entry of the payment of this rent to the Crown in the hospital accounts, although it appears from the documents at the office to have been discharged to the year 1775. It seems not improbable, therefore, that it was formerly settled by deducting the amount thereof from the above-mentioned pensions.

The balance of 29*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* due from the Crown, may be received on the application of the chamber as the governors of the hospital; but it appears to us, that both the arrears and the future payments of the rent payable to the Crown, ought to be defrayed out of the funds of the hospital; that

that the future pensions ought to be annually applied for, and divided amongst four poor men of Exeter, to be nominated and, as vacancies occur by death or otherwise, replaced by the mayor and aldermen; and that the entire balance of 85*l.* 16*s.* due for the arrears of those pensions, ought to be distributed amongst poor men of the same description.

*Sir Thomas White's Gift.*—A statement of the charitable donation of Sir Thomas White, in 1566, is given in the present Report, in the account of the charities of the city of Bristol.

It will be there seen, that certain sums were directed by the founder to be paid at specified periods, by the corporation of Bristol, to various cities and towns, and amongst others to the city of Exeter, to be employed in loans to poor young men, inhabitants and freemen of the same; but a clause in the foundation deed, whereby it was directed, that two persons, one of them nominated by the corporation of Bristol, and the other by the president and scholars of St. John's college, Oxford, should from time to time go to all the said cities and towns, and inquire into the distribution of the said sums of money, operates, as we conceive, as an appointment of special overseers of this branch of the charity, so as to preclude us from the further investigation of it.

*Nicholas Spicer's Gift.*—By Indenture of Feoffment, bearing date the 3d of March 1609, between Nicholas Spicer, the elder, one of the aldermen of the city of Exeter, of the one part; and Hugh Crossing, mayor of the said city, William Martyn, recorder, Ignatius Jurdaïne, Thomas Crossing and eight others of the said city, merchants, of the other part; the said Nicholas Spicer granted to the parties of the second part, and their heirs, all his messuages, lands and tenements, called Slow, otherwise Slowlake, in the parish of Halberton, Devon, to the use of the said Nicholas Spicer and Honor his wife, and the heirs of the body of the said Nicholas; and for default of such issue, on trust, for such employments of the issues and profits of the premises, as were thereafter expressed; viz. for the payment of a yearly rent-charge of 20*l.* to his sister-in-law for her life, and for the yearly payment of 20*s.* worth of bread, to be distributed to the poor people of the city of Exeter, at or about the feast of Easter, for ever, at their houses; and of 10*s.* yearly towards the reparation of the parish church of St. Mary Arches, in the said city; and 10*s.* yearly towards the reparation of the parish church of Halberton aforesaid; and 40*s.* yearly towards the better maintenance of candlelight in the dark nights, between the feasts of All Saints and the Purification, to be placed and set up in such convenient places of the said city, as to the mayor and aldermen should be thought meet, to give better light to people passing and going in the streets of the said city; and of 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly to the night bellman of the said city; and for the disbursements, loans and payments, for ever, from time to time, as occasion should be, of the residue of the issues and profits of the said premises, to such of the freemen of the said city, as well merchants as others, as to the mayor and aldermen of the said city, or the most part of them for the time being, should be thought meet, by 5*l.* or 10*l.* to each; and after the decease of his sister-in law, by 10*l.* and upwards, under 21*l.* to each, for four years, or for a lesser term, on good security for the repayment of the same. And for the yearly payment, for ever, to the mayor of the said city for the time being, of 20*s.*; to the recorder, 10*s.*; to the receiver and each of the stewards, 12*d.*; to each of the feoffees that should be present at the accounts, 12*d.*; to the sword-bearer, 12*d.*; to the four serjeants, 2*s.* 8*d.* equally to be divided amongst them; to the town-clerk, 10*s.* for keeping the accounts, and to the chamberlain, 3*s.* 4*d.* for their trouble in seeing to the execution of the said trust, and the procurement of an account yearly, for ever, on the 12th of December, to be made of the disbursements of the said money, and to provide that the same should be safely kept; and for the preservation of the said trust, it was agreed between the said parties, that within a convenient time after there should remain living not above three of the said feoffees, the survivors should grant the said premises to twelve or more such men as then should be of the common council and principal citizens of the said city, as to the mayor and aldermen thereof should be thought meet, upon the trusts aforesaid.

By this indenture, a power of revocation was reserved to the said Nicholas Spicer, and a memorandum was indorsed upon it, that it was desired by him at the sealing and delivery of the deed, in the presence of the witnesses, that such as had been the kinsmen or servants of the said Nicholas Spicer, being freemen of the city of Exeter, and fit then to receive loans of money for their relief and maintenance, should be preferred to borrow, when the feoffees should have power to make loans.

By Indenture of Feoffment, bearing date the 20th of August 1629, reciting the above-mentioned indenture, and that after the execution thereof, the said Nicholas Spicer, by his will, had declared, that his wife, every year after his death, during her life, on Good Friday, out of the profits of the same lands, should give to so many poor people of the said city of Exeter, as she should think good, the value of 20*s.* worth of bread, and 20*s.* worth of bread in or near the parish church of Halberton, to the poor people of Halberton; and that his will was, that the feoffees of his lands in Halberton should, after the decease of his said wife, yearly, on the same day, out of the same lands, give the same quantities of bread to the poor of the said city and parish; and reciting also, that Ignatius Jurdaïne and Thomas Crossing were the only two surviving feoffees of the said Nicholas Spicer, and that all the common council of the said city refused to accept of an assurance of the said premises, whereby they, the said Ignatius Jurdaïne and Thomas Crossing were disabled from assuring the same according to the said indenture; yet that they being willing to perform the said trust, so far and near as they might by the consent of the mayor, aldermen and common council of the said city, had agreed to assure the same to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, who were contented to accept thereof, and had been enabled to take lands given to such uses as aforesaid, by charter, dated the 17th of December, in the 3d of Charles the 1st, they the said Ignatius Jurdaïne and Thomas Crossing, granted to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, and their successors, all the aforesaid premises, upon the trusts in the said abstracted indenture and the said will mentioned.

The clause in the charter of the 3d of Charles the 1st, here referred to, authorizes trustees of manors, lands, tenements, tithes, rents or hereditaments, for fulfilling good and pious uses within the city and county of the city of Exeter, being seised of an inheritance therein, to grant the same to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the said city, and their successors, and the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty to take the same, provided that they should be bound to convert and dispose of the same lands, &c. and the issues and rents thereof, to the same uses to which they were respectively originally given, according to the intention of the donors, declared respectively in their writings.



The property of this charity consists of,—

1.—A farm, called Slow Farm, comprising a farm-house, with out-houses and curtilages, and 29 parcels of land, containing 96 A. 2 R. 28 P. in the possession of Edward Cross, under a lease, dated the 2d of June 1772, from the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for a term of 99 years, now determinable on the life of the lessee, granted by them in consideration of a fine of 630*l.* for two lives in reversion of one, at the yearly rent of 20*l.*; and another lease, dated the 24th of November 1801, for a similar term, in reversion of the former, determinable on the lives of John Cross and Sarah Cross, children of the lessee, granted in consideration of a fine of 1,050 *l.* at the same rent. This rent is subject to deductions of 3*l.* for land tax and 2*s.* for a chief rent.

2.—A close, called Gerson Meadow, containing 4 A. 2 R. 27 P. held under a lease dated the 11th of June 1793, granted to John Binford for 99 years, determinable on three lives, at the yearly rent of 3*s.* 4*d.* granted in consideration of a fine of 100*l.*

3.—A tenement, garden and close, containing about five acres, formerly called Ash Furland, held under a lease dated the 23d of November 1775, granted to Robert Salter for 99 years, determinable on two lives in reversion of one, at the yearly rent of 4*s.* granted in consideration of a fine of 40*l.*

Our account of this charity will consist, principally, of a statement of the various proceedings that have taken place relating to it in the Court of Chancery, and which are not yet brought to a conclusion.

In October 1811, an information in that court was filed by the attorney-general, at the relation of William Francis Spicer, esq. as being the heir general of the founder of this charity, and a native of the city of Exeter, against the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, charging them, amongst other things, with having misapplied the rents and profits of the charity estates, and with having large sums of money arising from the said estates in their hands, which had not been applied to the purposes of the charity, and praying that an account might be taken of the rents and profits received by the defendants, that they might be decreed to answer for such part thereof as they had not properly applied, that the charity might be established, as far as the same was capable of being executed, that the abuses might be corrected and directions given for applying the rents, &c. according to a scheme to be proposed, and that proper persons might be appointed trustees of the charity estates, and the said estates conveyed to them.

The mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, by their answer in June 1812, stated, (amongst other things) that they had applied considerable parts of the rents and profits of the charity estates to the purposes mentioned in the indenture of the 3d of March 1609, but admitted that there had been a surplus of the rents and profits, which had been retained by them, or by certain members of their body, appointed by them as trustees or curators of the charity, which had been applied to other purposes; and added, that they had charged themselves in the account books of the charity with the sums so retained; they further stated, that no application having been made to them since the year 1808, for advancing any money upon loan, in the manner mentioned in the said indenture, they had not, since that time, so applied any part of the residue, but were willing to account for the same. That the charity estates consisted of 106 acres, or thereabouts, and were of the annual value of 221*l.* or thereabouts, and had been let on leases for lives, at low rents, on payment of fines, at the best prices that could be obtained. They also admitted, that they and their predecessors had borrowed considerable sums from the funds of this charity, and applied the same to purposes foreign to it, always charging themselves as aforesaid; and that they had considerable sums in their hands, which had arisen from the charity estates, for which they were ready to account, and in all respects to act as the court should direct.

This cause came on first to be heard on the 22d of March 1813, before the Right honourable Sir William Grant, then Master of the Rolls, when it was ordered, that it should be referred to one of the Masters of the court (amongst other things) to take an account of the rents and profits of the charity estates, and of the fines taken for the renewals of leases thereof, come to the hands of the defendants, or any person by their order, or for their use; and to state at what time such fines were received, and in what manner the same, and the rents and profits had been applied; and that the Master should inquire if the estates had been properly let, and if not, whether it would be proper to take any steps for setting the leases aside; and that the Master should approve of a scheme for the application of the charity, and the relator was to be at liberty to lay a scheme before the Master for that purpose. And it was ordered, that the Master should tax the relator his costs of the suit to that time, to be paid by the defendants out of the money in their hands on account of the charity estates.

The defendants, in the accounts produced by them before the Master, admitted that there was a balance of 1,956*l.* 4*s.* due from them to the said charity, which sum was paid into court under an order of the Master of the Rolls, dated the 9th of December 1813, with 39*l.* 2*s.* 5*d.* for interest on that sum, from the said 9th of December to the time of payment.

By an order of the Master of the Rolls, made the 21st of May 1814, it was ordered, that the Master should make a separate report as to the letting of the charity estates, which he accordingly did on the 11th of February 1815; and upon that report being made, it was ordered, that the relator should be at liberty to proceed against all proper parties for setting aside the leases of the estate called Slowlake. The relator accordingly exhibited an information against Edward Cross, the tenant of the said estate, and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for setting aside the lease thereof; to which information answers were put in, and witnesses examined; and this cause came on to be heard before the Master of the Rolls on the 25th of November 1817, upon which the last-mentioned information was dismissed upon the grounds, 1st, that the mode of leasing the estates of the charity for terms of 99 years, determinable on lives, as they had been previously let, and which mode was formerly in general use in the county of Devon, was not so positively bad and improvident as to make such lease necessarily on the face of it a breach of trust; and 2dly, that there was not satisfactory evidence of the leases having been granted at an under value.

The following costs were afterwards paid by order of the Court, out of the monies previously paid into Court by the defendants:—

	£.	s.	d.
The relator's costs of the separate Master's reports as to the leases	-	129	19 9
The relator's costs of the supplemental suit to set aside the leases	-	137	19 8
The defendant's cost of the same suit	-	188	16 9

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A farther report was made in this cause in 1821, whereby the Master stated that he found that the defendants had received, on account of the rents, profits and fines of the said estates, 7,341 *l.* 15 *s.* 8 *d.*, the particulars whereof were set forth in the first schedule annexed to his report. He also charged the defendants with the sum of 2,004 *l.* 1 *s.* as interest at four per cent. on various sums advanced from the funds of the charity to the chamber, and stated the mode in which he had calculated such interest; which sum of 2,004 *l.* 1 *s.* with the said sum of 7,341 *l.* 15 *s.* 8 *d.* made together the sum of 9,345 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* He also found that the defendants had expended the sums set forth in the second schedule annexed to his report, amounting to 4,130 *l.* 9 *s.* 7 *d.* including the sum of 1,956 *l.* 4 *s.* paid into court, which being deducted from the said sum of 9,345 *l.* 16 *s.* 8 *d.* would reduce the same to 5,215 *l.* 7 *s.* 1 *d.*, which latter sum constituted the balance due from the defendants in case the court should be of opinion that the defendants ought to be charged with the interest of the monies advanced to them. But if the court should be of opinion that they ought not to be so charged with interest, then the balance would amount to 3,211 *l.* 6 *s.* 1 *d.*

The accounts contained in both these schedules embrace the period from 1629 (being the date of the before-mentioned feoffment from Ignatius Jurdaïne and Thomas Crossing to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty) to 1813; but the accounts in the possession of the defendants, and produced by them to the Master, extend back no farther than 1747.

It appears from an old lease, that Slow Farm was leased in 1631 for a term of 99 years, in consideration of a fine of 208 *l.* at the yearly rent of 40 *l.* which was subsequently, in consideration of a farther fine of 270 *l.* reduced to 20 *l.* at which rent it has remained to the present time; and that the rents of the other parts of the premises have, during the whole of the above-mentioned period, been the same as at present.

The Master in the last-mentioned report also stated, that he had not approved of any scheme for the application of the funds of the charity, nor appointed proper persons to be feoffees of the estates, the relator having stated that he was not enabled to proceed on that part of the decree until the amount of the charity funds should have been finally ascertained.

After this report was made, a petition was presented by the defendants to the present Master of the Rolls, praying for a rehearing of the original cause, on the ground that the decree by which the reference to the Master was made, directed the accounts to be taken generally, and without any limitation as to the time from which the same were to commence.

This petition came on to be heard on the 7th of March 1822, when that decree was confirmed, against which decision a petition of appeal has been presented to the Lord Chancellor.

The defendants have also taken exceptions to the Master's report, the first of such exceptions being, that the Master has charged them in respect of the rents and fines of the premises from 1629, the date of the feoffment before mentioned, whereas he ought to have charged them only from the time of the information being filed, or at most, only from 1747, the period of the commencement of the accounts produced.

We are informed that these exceptions will be shortly argued before the Vice Chancellor.

Alderman James Crossing was the curator of this charity from 1764 to 1791, and Alderman B. Walker from 1792 to 1813. The rents have since been received by Mr. John Campion, the assistant town clerk, out of which the sum of 80 *l.* 10 *s.* has been paid, under the direction of the court, for the relator's costs in the original suit, in addition to the costs before mentioned to be paid to him.

From 1764 to 1808, loans were occasionally made, in sums of 20 *l.* each, out of the funds of the charity. The specific payments directed by the founder were also paid till the commencement of the suit, but have been discontinued from that time.

**Bodley's Gift and Mogridge's Gift.**—Lawrence Bodley, D.D. one of the canons residentiary of the cathedral church of Exeter, by his Will, bearing date the 12th of April 1615, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, bequeathed as follows:—

"I give and bequeath to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, the sum of 400 *l.* to be paid by mine executors, within four months after my decease, to the use, intent and purpose hereafter expressed, and herein set down; that is to say, my will and desire is, that they, with the said 400 *l.* do, within one year after my decease, procure and purchase so much land in fee simple as shall be yearly worth, for ever, the sum of 20 *l.* by the year, which sum of 20 *l.* yearly to be received, my will and desire is, may be yearly employed and bestowed immediately from the time of the purchase of the said land, for the continual and yearly maintenance of a sufficient preacher within the said city of Exeter, for ever, to be chosen by the said mayor and his company of the chamber of the said city of Exeter, and by them to be always appointed to exercise and preach a sermon weekly, on the Sabbath days, for ever, in such convenient place or places within the said city of Exeter, as shall be by them procured and thought most fit and most profitable for edification, which said preacher, so to be chosen and nominated by the said mayor and his company, shall be from time to time allowed for his sufficiency and conformity, according to the laws of the realm, either by the Lord Bishop of the diocese, or by the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, his grace, for the time being."

Thomas Mogridge, of Exeter, merchant, by his Will, bearing date the 14th of July 1617, and proved in the same court, gave to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, 200 *l.* to be paid within two years after his death, to be bestowed in land, for ever, for the benefit of the preacher of the lecture ordered and appointed by the said Dr. Bodley:

The registry of the Bishop of Exeter, for the year 1629, contains the following entry relating to the lecture founded by the said Dr. Bodley.

"Mr. Mico and others, their testimony concerning Dr. Bodley, his lecture, in the city of Exeter, accepted, and given to be registered by the Right reverend father in God the Lord Bishop of Exeter, in his office, the 4th of February, A. D. 1629.

"Dr. Bodley, not long before he died, did divers times complain that a great number of the people which came to St. Peter's upon the Sunday, at ten of the clock, could hear nothing, and therefore he thought it good to have, at the same time, a sermon in some parish church, that such as could not hear the sermon at St. Peter's might come thither to hear; and on a time, demanding of his men what church might be fittest for it, one of them answered, that the parish church of St. Petrock's (as he thought) would be fittest. About the end of January, before he died, which was the 19th of April ensuing, he told me, that he put in 400 *l.* to the chamber of the city of Exeter for a lecture, and that so long as he

lived he would see it supplied, and when he died he would leave it to the chamber to provide a preacher for it; and this I speak upon my own knowledge.

"John Mico, minister."

[Then follows the testimony of Dorothy Mogridge, widow of the said Thomas Mogridge, mentioning the augmentation of the said fund for a lecture, by her husband, with 200*l.* and the testimony of John Row, Walter White and others, to the same effect as that of Mr. Mico.]

"I do accept of this testimony, and will that it be recorded in the registry.

"Jos. Exon."

By indenture, bearing date the 6th of April 1651, Fitzwilliam Southcott, in consideration of 450*l.* assigned to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, and their successors, the rectory and parsonage of Hennock, in the county of Devon, with the tithes of grain and corn growing within that parish, and the advowson, patronage and free disposition of the vicarage of the same parish, to hold the said rectory and tithes for the residue of a term of 99 years, determinable on three lives, granted by Thomas Southcott, esquire, deceased, at the rent of 7*l.*; and the said advowson of the vicarage for the residue of a similar term.

And by indenture, bearing date the 8th of April in the same year, Thomas Southcott, esquire, and Sir Popham Southcott, knight, his son, in consideration of 216*l.* granted to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors, the said rectory and tithes, and the advowson of the said vicarage, and all barns, houses, glebe lands, &c. to the said rectory belonging, paying yearly for the said rectory to the said Thomas Southcott during his life, and after his decease to the said Sir Popham Southcott and his heirs, the annual rent of 7*l.*

A memorandum, indorsed on each of these deeds, states, that the said advowson and patronage of Hennock was purchased by the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, for the sum of 40*l.* paid by them, for the proper use of them and their successors; and that all the other premises were purchased with the monies theretofore given by Dr. Bodley and Mr. Mogridge, for a lecturer within the said city, and to be employed to that use only, though they were all contained in the same deed, to avoid several writings for the same.

Several old leases of the rectory and great tithes of Hennock from the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, were produced to us; the earliest, bearing date in 1636, was granted to Humphrey Bond, gentleman, for eight years, at the yearly rent of 65*l.* with a covenant from the lessee to repair the chancel of the parish church of Hennock, and to pay all church and poor rates.

Two other leases, bearing date in 1694 and 1699, were granted for five years each to Anthony Loveys, of Hennock, clerk, and Aaron Loveys, his son, at the yearly rent of 45*l.* with similar covenants on the part of the lessees.

For a considerable number of years the vicar of Hennock for the time being has been allowed by the chamber of Exeter to hold the great tithes under them, at a yearly rent. As one of the lessees in the two last-mentioned leases is described as being a clergyman of Hennock, it is not improbable that he was the vicar of that parish, and that the same mode of disposing of the great tithes has been acted upon from that time to the present. The Reverend John Hill, being the son of an alderman of the city of Exeter, was presented by the chamber to the vicarage in 1775, and still holds the same. No lease of the great tithes has ever been granted to him by the chamber, but he has during his incumbency received a composition for those tithes, paying to the mayor of Exeter for the time being a clear rent of 42*l.* per annum, and also paying to the lord of the manor the rent of 7*l.* reserved by the deeds of 1631.

There appears to be no doubt that these tithes are of considerably greater annual value than the rent paid for them by the vicar, but we have not been enabled accurately to ascertain their value, as they are thrown into composition with the small tithes. Mr. Hill informs us, that the amount of all the tithes of the parish is 260*l.* per annum.

The rent of 42*l.* is paid to the mayor for the time being shortly after Michaelmas, and is by him paid over to the two mayors' chaplains of the preceding year, in the proportion of two-thirds to the junior chaplain and one-third to the senior chaplain. One of these chaplains performs divine service at the chapel in St. John's hospital, whenever the mayor attends divine service there in his official capacity, which, as we are informed, he usually does one Sunday in each month. One of the chaplains also officiates on the 6th of August, which is held as an anniversary by the mayor and chamber, and on the day on which the mayor is chosen. The junior chaplain is appointed annually by the chamber, on the recommendation of the mayor for the time being.

For some years past, the Reverend Richard Eastcott has been annually appointed to the situation of senior chaplain under the following circumstances: Mr. Eastcott was the rector of the parishes of St. Edmond and St. Mary Steps in Exeter, and consented, upon its being proposed to him by the chamber that he should be annually appointed chaplain to the mayor, to resign the latter benefice, by which he has been enabled to perform the duty on Sundays twice instead of once in the church of the former parish.

During the incumbency of the present vicar of Hennock, who is of advanced age, it may not be thought expedient to alter the mode of disposing of the great tithes of that parish, which has so long prevailed; but whenever a vacancy in that benefice shall occur, it appears to us that the great tithes ought to be let for their fair value, and the clear produce applied for the support of a weekly lecture on Sundays, in such church or chapel in the city of Exeter as may be thought most beneficial, and as can be procured by the chamber for that purpose, according to the intention of the donors of the money with which those tithes were purchased, as is shown by the before-mentioned documents.

*Thomas and Elizabeth Flaye's Gifts.*—Thomas Flaye, alderman of the city of Exeter, by his Will, bearing date the 26th of June 1634, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, gave to his wife, Elizabeth Flaye, and her heirs, his messuage or tenement, and garden thereunto adjoining, and two stables adjoining, in the parish of St. Paul, Exeter, to the intent that she, her heirs, executors, &c. should within six years after his death, at her and their own costs and charges, convert, new-build and make of the said messuage, garden and stables, four convenient almshouses, with gardens to the same, adjoining and belonging, to be called by the name of Flaye's almshouses, to be for four single poor widow women, the first to be placed there by the said Elizabeth Flaye, and afterwards by the mayor and aldermen of the said city of Exeter for the time being, or the greater part of them. He also gave to the said Elizabeth Flaye and her heirs, all his messuages, lands and tenements, situate in the parish of St. Sidwell,

St. Sidwell, in the county of the said city of Exeter, which he had purchased of Andrew Hilman, and one close of land, situate in Northern Hay, in the parish of St. David, in the county of the said city, to the use and intent, that she, her heirs and assigns, should for ever pay weekly out of the rents and profits thereof, unto every one of the four poor single widow women of and in the said almshouses, twelve-pence a piece, and the residue of the said rents and profits to be bestowed towards and upon the repairing and maintaining the said almshouses for ever.

By indentures of lease and release, dated the 20th and 21st of February 1667, made between the said Elizabeth Flaye, of the one part; and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Exeter, of the other part; reciting the above-mentioned devise of the said Thomas Flaye, and that the said Elizabeth Flaye, in pursuance thereof, had erected upon part of the said lands in the said parish of St. Paul, four convenient houses, with a garden adjoining, for the habitation of four poor widows who had resided therein and received weekly payments; and that the said Elizabeth Flaye, being desirous to further such works of charity, had, at her own costs, erected upon the said lands in the said parish of St. Paul, two other decent and convenient houses near adjoining to the former, for the succour and relief of two poor ministers and their wives, who should be destitute of better habitations, or for the widows of such ministers; and had not only improved the yearly value of such lands and tenements given to her by her said deceased husband, by new building, and otherwise for the increase of the pay of the said four poor widows, but had purchased other lands and tenements of considerable yearly value for the said ministers and their wives or their widows, as aforesaid; the said Elizabeth Flaye, in performance of the said charitable bequests, and for the relief and maintenance of such poor people as should be chosen into the almshouses aforesaid, according to the true intent and meaning of certain ordinances thereunto annexed, granted to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty and their successors, the said six almshouses and garden adjoining, situate in the said parish of St. Paul, in Goldsmith-street, and a messuage or tenement there, near adjoining, in the said parish of St. Paul, and another messuage or tenement in the said parish of St. Paul, in Paul-street, and a messuage or tenement situate in the parish of St. Sidwell; and also the moiety or halfend of a close of land, situate in the parish of St. Sidwell, near to Pound Pitts, there containing, by estimation, half an acre or thereabouts; and also a close of land, containing, by estimation, three acres or thereabouts, situate in Northern Hay, in the parish of St. David, all which said premises late were the lands and inheritance of the aforesaid Thomas Flaye; and also a messuage and four closes of land, containing, by estimation, eight acres and a quarter, situate without the north gate of the said city, and in the parish of St. David; and a plot or parcel of land there, near adjoining, containing, by estimation, half an acre or thereabouts, situate upon St. David's Hill; and also three several stables and a courtlage adjoining, situate in the parish of St. Lawrence, to the use of the said Elizabeth Flaye for life, and afterwards, upon trust, out of the rents, issues and profits of the said premises, to pay towards the relief and maintenance of the said poor people in the said several almshouses, such sums of money at such time and times, and in such manner, as in and by one of the schedules thereunto annexed were appointed, and the residue thereof to such other person and persons, and for such uses and purposes, as in the same schedule were likewise directed.

By the ordinances in the first of the schedules annexed to the said indenture of release, it was directed that the said almshouses should be continued for ever, and that the persons chosen and placed therein should continue there during their lives, they demeaning themselves orderly as such persons ought to do, and not otherwise. That after the death of the said Elizabeth Flaye, and the death or removal of any of the almspeople, the mayor and aldermen of Exeter, or the greater part of them, should elect another fit person of the said city of Exeter or county of the same, of honest life and conversation, in the place of every one so dying or being removed; and in default of such poor ministers, or widows of poor ministers, within the said city and county of Exeter, then of the county of Devon, if they should think fit; and should likewise, for just cause, expel or remove any of them out of the said houses. That out of the rents and profits of the said premises given by the said Thomas Flaye, there should be paid to each of the said poor widows, weekly, 2 s. instead of 1 s. given by the will of the said Thomas Flaye, if the rents of the lands would amount thereunto; if not, that an equal abatement should be made to every of the said poor widows respectively; and that out of the rents and profits of the said lands and tenements purchased by the said Elizabeth Flaye, there should be weekly paid to two poor ministers and their wives, or to two poor widows of such ministers, elected into the almshouses, the sum of 8 s. viz. to either of them 4 s.; and in case no such persons should be found fit for that charity, within the limits aforesaid, that the money of such persons should be kept in stock for the benefit of such as afterwards should be chosen into the said houses, in such manner as by the said mayor and aldermen should be thought most fitting. That the payments to all the persons before mentioned should be made at the end of every month, viz. every fourth Saturday; and because the rents appointed for the above-mentioned payments were chiefly issuable out of houses, which by reason of casualties might be defective, the said Elizabeth promised, that she in her lifetime, or her executors within six months after her decease, should pay to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, 50 l. to be by them employed in the best manner they might, for reasonable profit, which sum, with the proceeds thereof, was to be kept in stock for the better reparation of the said almshouses; and that when any new estate or lease should be made of any of the said lands or tenements, the yearly rent then reserved, or more, if conveniently might be, should be reserved; and that no lease or estate in any of the said lands should be made for any longer term than for twenty-one years, or for three lives, or years to be determinable on the deaths of three persons, at the most. That some fit person of the chamber should be yearly chosen for keeping the accounts of the receipts and payments before mentioned, and that an account should be made thereof, by him, before the mayor, aldermen and common council of the said city, yearly, between Michaelmas and Christmas, and fairly entered into a book. That the said accountant should, yearly, deduct and pay out of the rents and profits of the said lands and tenements purchased by the said Elizabeth Flaye, the several sums hereafter mentioned; viz. for himself, 20 s.; to the mayor, 10 s.; to every of the aldermen and common council of the said city present at the making of the said account, and subscribing their names thereunto, 2 s. a piece; to the town clerk and chamberlain, 2 s. a piece; to the swordbearer and serjeants at mace, 8 d. a piece; to the parson of St. Paul's parish, yearly, for all tithes, or other dues which he might require or demand of the said almspeople, 5 s. And lastly, that all sums which thereafter should remain due on any account, over and above so much as might make payment to the poor, for the first three months in every year, and the said 50 l. with the proceeds thereof, should be put into the box in the council chamber of the said city, there to be safely kept, and preserved under the care of the said mayor and common council, for the supply of all

defects, by casualties, or otherwise, and for the better perpetuating of the several trusts before mentioned.

By an indorsement on the said schedule, the said Elizabeth Flaye, after reciting that the garden adjoining to the almshouses was then divided into two parts, directed that the upper part of the said garden above the pale, being the east part thereof, should be held and enjoyed by the two ministers, or widows of ministers, elected into the almshouses appointed to them; and that the lower or lesser part of the said garden, being the western part thereof, and next adjoining to the said almshouses, should be enjoyed by the four widows elected into the other almshouses respectively.

A second schedule contains a specification of the lands and premises given by the said Thomas Flaye, and of the rents thereof, amounting at that time to 22*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* per annum. It likewise describes the lands given by Elizabeth Flaye, as being at that time granted by her to George Tuthill, merchant, for 999 years, to commence from the death of the said Elizabeth Flaye, under the yearly rent of 26*l.*

By a third schedule it was directed, that the said 50*l.* should be from time to time put forth by the mayor and aldermen of Exeter, and that the yearly profits thereof only should be kept in the box, with the writings of the said lands, and the surplus of the proceeds thereof for the repairing the six almshouses, and not otherwise, except necessity required the same; and that the said surplus on all accounts, as well of the said monies as of the said lands, should be kept and reserved for those purposes only.

Copies of the lease and release of the 20th and 21st of February 1667, with the schedules annexed, and also of the lease to George Tuthill for 999 years, are inserted in the oldest account book of the charity, and the latter is attested as being a true copy by Mrs. Flaye herself.

The originals of the lease and release, and the counterpart of the lease for 999 years, are not found amongst the documents of the chamber; but an earlier deed of feoffment is found, dated the 21st of May 1663, by which the said Elizabeth Flaye conveyed the premises given by Thomas Flaye's will to four aldermen and eight of the common council of Exeter, by name, and their heirs, upon trust, nearly similar to those of the lease and release of 1667.

It seems probable, therefore, that these feoffees must have re-granted the premises to Elizabeth Flaye, previously to the said lease and release.

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No.	PARISH.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.
1	St. Paul, Exeter -	William Tuckett - -	A house and garden between the almshouses and St. Paul's church.
2	Ditto - -	Henry Ley, esq. - -	-- A garden, on which the lessee had erected buildings for the accommodation of his dwelling adjoining thereto, bounded on the north by lands of lessee; on the west, by lands of John Stephens, esq.; on the south, by lands of the corporation of tailors; and on the west, by lands of Flaye's charity, containing in length, from east to west, 69 feet, or thereabouts; and in breadth, from north to south, in the middle part, 30 feet, or thereabouts.
3	Ditto - -	Joseph Gibbons, now Zachary Turner.	A house, stable and courtlage, in St. Paul's street.
4	St. David - -	W. H. Tonkin, esq. - -	A field adjoining to Northern Hay, containing 2 A. 1 R. 6 P.
5	Ditto - -	Messrs. Saunders & Co. -	-- A rent issuing out of lands on St. David's Hill, let by lease to George Tuthill, by Elizabeth Flaye, for 999 years from the death of Elizabeth Flaye in 1673.
6	St. Sidwell -	Nicholas Strong - -	-- A dwelling-house and garden, in the parish of St. Sidwell, containing in length, from north to south, 422 feet, or thereabouts; and in breadth against the street, 41 feet 3 inches, or thereabouts; in breadth, about the middle, about 41 feet 3 inches; and at the south end, 39 feet, or thereabouts; and bounded on the north by the street; on the east, by lands formerly of John Pitts; on the south, by lands formerly of Sir John Davy, bart.; and on the west, by lands of the Dean and Chapter of Exeter.
7	Ditto - -	- - - - -	An undivided moiety of a field, containing in the whole, 3 R. & 22 P.  Interest of 140 <i>l.</i> due from chamber, at four per cent.

The premises, No. 1, were formerly let by the chamber to several tenants, and some losses of rent appear to have occurred.

They were let for 11*l.* per annum immediately before 1815; the present rent is clear of rates and taxes, but the lessors are bound to repair.

Thomas Copplestone, alderman of the city of Exeter (who appears to have had the care of this charity from 1724 to 1754), gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of that city 50*l.*, to be applied in repairing Flaye's almshouse, and the house adjoining, which belonged to that almshouse, and he forgave all the money that should be due to him from that charity at the time of his death.

The sum due from the charity to the testator at the close of the said accounts in 1754, was nearly 100*l.*

An account appears to have been settled after this time, between Robert Prowse and Flaye's charity, in which credit is given to the charity for the above-mentioned legacy; and on the other hand, it is debited with payments made by Prowse to the almspeople, from June to September 1754, amounting to 12*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* and with several rents due from the tenants to Lady-day 1754, leaving a balance due to the charity of only 1*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.*

We have not ascertained in what relation Robert Prowse stood, either to Mr. Copplestone or to the charity, but it seems probable that he was either the representative, or acting for the representatives of Mr. Copplestone, that he had the management of the charity for a short time after Mr. Copplestone's death, and that the legacy was thus applied for the general purposes of the establishment, the rents due at Lady-day 1754 not having been received by Prowse.

Mr. Elliot was curator of the charity from 1755 to 1801, and the above-mentioned balance of 1*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.* forms an item in his receipts.

Bills for repairs to the amount of more than 50*l.* appear to have been paid in the years 1759 and 1760.

This charity, like others intrusted to the management of the chamber of Exeter, is under the care of curators; Mr. Flood, who was appointed jointly with Mr. J. W. Williams and Mr. George Galloway, in the year 1815, has had the direction of it since 1820. Mr. Williams, who had the chief superintendence of it from their appointment till that time, has lately retired from the chamber, and Mr. William Payne has been appointed a curator of this charity in his stead.

The trust property which appears to correspond in description and quantity with the premises conveyed by the lease and release of 1667, is set forth in the following Rental.

TERMS.	RENT.	FINES paid for Renewal of Leases.	Estimated Yearly Value.	REMARKS.
Yearly tenant from Christmas 1815.	£. s. d. 16 16 -	- - -	£. s. d. Good rent.	In tenantable repair.
Twenty-one years from Michaelmas 1821.	7 10 -	- - -	- - -	See the subsequent statement relating to these premises.
-- 99 years determin- able on three lives by lease, dated the 27th of Novem- ber 1770, two of whom are living; a reversionary lease for one life, dated the 11th of May 1802.	7 - -	15 <i>l.</i> for three lives, in 1770. 30 <i>l.</i> for one life, in 1802.	30 - -	
Seven years from Mi- chaelmas 1821.	24 - -	- - -	Good rent.	The rent to Michaelmas 1821 was 11 <i>l.</i>
- - - - -	26 - -			
21 years from Lady- day 1805.	12 12 -	- - -	24 - -	-- This lease was granted, as well in consideration of the sur- render of a former lease, dated the 9th of September 1788, for 21 years from Lady-day 1788, as of the rent reserved. The former rent was eight guineas. The premises have been much improved by the lessee.
- - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	-- No rent has been received for this moiety since 1757. See the subsequent statement re- specting it in the Report.
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No. 2 is the eastern part of the garden, which was allotted, by the indorsement on Elizabeth Flaye's first schedule, to the ministers or the widows of ministers. A lease of this garden, whereon a banquet-  
ing house and a house of office, situate behind Flaye's almshouses, had been erected, was granted by the  
chamber, on the 30th of August 1737, to Mr. John Ley, for fifty-one years from Michaelmas 1738, at  
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the rent of 50 s. per annum, which appears to have been the amount of the rent reserved previously to that time; and on the 9th of May 1775, a lease was granted by the chamber to Mr. Henry Ley of the same garden (on which it was stated that the said Mr. Henry Ley had lately made improvements, by erecting buildings thereon for the accommodation of his dwelling adjoining thereto), for eighty years, to commence from the expiration of the former lease, at the same rent, and with a covenant, on the part of the lessee, to repair the premises and the wall at the western end of the garden, and to pay rates and taxes.

The tenement is accurately described in a plan in the margin of the lease.

It will be observed that no fine was paid for granting either of these leases, and that there are 48 years yet to come of the term last granted.

We are induced to believe that it is more beneficial to the poor persons interested that this garden should be let, than that it should be occupied by them; but as it appeared to us that a lease of so long duration and at a rent clearly inadequate could not be supported, we have suggested to Mr. Ley the propriety of his consenting to surrender his lease, and to take a new one upon reasonable terms; and we are informed that this surrender has accordingly been made, and that a new lease has been granted to Mr. Ley by the chamber for twenty-one years from Michaelmas 1821, at the annual rent of 7 l. 10 s.

The house, stable and courtlage, No. 3, have been much improved by the lessee. The rent of the field adjoining Northern Hay, No. 4, was 6 l. per annum previously to 1761, when it was raised to 8 l., and in 1790 it was increased to 11 l. A lease of it, which had been granted to Mr. Tonkin at the last-mentioned rent, expired in 1818, and a negotiation subsequently took place between him and the curator of the charity for a new lease; Mr. Tonkin offered 16 l. per annum, which not being deemed sufficient, an auction was held at the beginning of the year 1821, at which the highest bidding was 23 l. 10 s. It was then offered to Mr. Tonkin's agent for seven years, to commence from Michaelmas 1821, at the rent of 24 l. per annum, and accepted by him on those terms, the former rent being to be paid till Michaelmas 1821.

No rent has been received by the charity for the undivided moiety of the field in St. Sidwell's, No. 7, since the year 1757. This moiety is described, in the second schedule annexed to Elizabeth Flaye's deed, as containing half an acre, and lying with the lands belonging to the parish of St. John, Exeter.

It appears that John Johnson was tenant of the field in 1757, and that he paid 17 s. 6 d. per annum in respect of the moiety belonging to the charity, from which 1 s. 1½ d. was deducted for tithe. There is an entry in the account book of the charity, of the date of 1759, of the payment of 3 s. 6 d. for levying a distress on Johnson's effects, which is there stated to have been done by mistake, as he had before paid the rent to the parish of St. John.

On examining the account book of the churchwardens of the parish of St. John, we find an entry, dated November 1761, stating, that at a parish meeting, two persons therein named had contracted to take two fields in St. Sidwell's at 5 l. 9 s. per annum, and that Mr. John Bussel, being then receiver, agreed thereto on behalf of the chamber, for their moiety of one of the said fields.

We are informed that the chamber have repeatedly claimed of the parish the moiety belonging to the charity, but they have taken no steps to enforce their right previously to our inquiry.

This field, which is now arable, is represented to have been injured by the conversion of its soil into bricks.

We conceive no doubt exists as to the identity of the field, or the right of this charity to a moiety of it; and since our investigation in June 1821, we have been informed that the parishioners of St. John's have resolved to relinquish the moiety, and to pay such a sum in respect of arrears of rent thereout, as may be agreed on between the curator and a committee appointed by the parish.

There are a few trees on the field occupied by Mr. Tonkin.

On the 22d of May 1802, the sum of 143 l. 7 s. 3 d. was received on account of the charity from the then late curator, Alderman Elliott, and of this sum 140 l. was taken by the chamber at four per cent. interest; the residue was carried to account. The interest, being 5 l. 12 s. per annum, had been at the time of our inquiry paid to Lady-day 1820, but the principal remains due.

It does not appear that the chamber are possessed of the sum of 50 l. which Elizabeth Flaye, by her first schedule, promised that she in her lifetime, or her executors within six months after her decease, should pay to the chamber. It is probable, that if this money was received by them, it was applied to the purposes for which it was given.

The almshouses, consisting of six tenements, two of which are inhabited by two poor widows of clergymen, and the remainder by four widows of decayed tradesmen of Exeter, are in good repair. The power of appointment to all vacancies rests with the chamber.

One of the clergymen's widows died in 1819, and the vacancy was advertised in the county newspapers.

No person having applied from the city of Exeter, the poor widow of a clergyman of the county of Devon was appointed, and it was, at the time of our investigation, proposed to pay her the accumulation which had taken place since the vacancy, amounting to about 12 l. 10 s.

The payments made to the almswomen appear to have been in conformity with the directions of Elizabeth Flaye previously to 1804, and to have amounted to 3 l. 4 s. per month. It was then ordered by the chamber, that each of the clergymen's widows should have 20 s. and each of the others 10 s. per month. In 1809, the monthly pay to each was again increased, by adding 2 s. 6 d. to that of the former, and 1 s. 6 d. to that of the latter, so that the sum of 4 l. 11 s. is now paid every month, of which each clergyman's widow receives 1 l. 2 s. 6 d., and each of the other widows, 11 s. 6 d.

There are other incidental payments, viz. for insurance, amounting to 1 l. 4 s. 6 d. per annum; poor's rate, about 1 l. 4 s.; sweeping chimnies, advertisements, &c. about 1 l. 10 s.; and a small annual payment will in future be made for the Exe water, which has been lately laid into the almshouses.

The costs of the repairs of these houses, and of No. 1 in the Rental, averaged 25 l. per annum for five years previous to 1821, but it was calculated that in future they would not exceed 20 l. per annum.

A chief rent of 5 s. per annum is now paid, and appears, by the accounts, to have been paid to the chamber ever since the establishment of the charity.

The sums directed to be distributed amongst the members and officers of the chamber have not been paid,



paid, but Mr. Campion has received various sums, amounting in the whole to 19 *l.* 8 *s.* 6 *d.* for rendering his assistance in the settlement of the accounts from 1801 to 1819.

No audit of the accounts appears to have taken place from 1754 to 1801, during which time Mr. Elliott was curator. Audits were held in 1801, 1809, 1815, 1818, 1819 and 1820. The annuity of 5 *s.* directed to be paid to the parson of the parish of St. Paul, in lieu of tithes and other duties, has not been paid since 1748.

Mr. Pinkey, who succeeded Mr. Elliott in 1801, held the office of curator till 1815, when he paid over to Mr. Williams, who then took the management of the charity, the balance due on his account, amounting to 62 *l.* 0 *s.* 8 *d.* and Mr. Williams delivered to Mr. Floud, about the latter end of the year 1820, a balance of 62 *l.* 7 *s.* 5 *d.* due from him to the charity. Mr. Floud had, at the time of our inquiry, received rents and interest amounting to 63 *l.* 12 *s.* making the sum of his receipts 125 *l.* 19 *s.* 3 *d.*; he had made payments to the amount of 44 *l.* 1 *s.* 2 *d.*, and there was a balance in his hands of 81 *l.* 18 *s.* 3 *d.* out of which outstanding bills for repairs, to the amount of about 15 *l.*, were payable.

We think that the money of the charity now in the hands of the chamber, and for which no security has been given, should be invested in the public funds, and that the annual surplus of income, whatever it may be, beyond the present payments, should be applied in ameliorating the condition of the almshouses.

#### MOOR'S ALMSHOUSES.

It is stated in Izacke's MS. Catalogue of Benefactions, that John Moor, esq. and Bartholomew Fortescue, esq. built three almshouses for the habitation of three poor people during their lives, upon the east end of Exe bridge, in the parish of St. Edmond, in the suburbs of the city of Exeter, but did not endow the same with any lands for their maintenance that were known, but left the nomination of the poor people to the mayor and chamber of the said city, and their successors, as appeared by an order made in 1520.

Three old houses are now standing at the east end of the site of the old Exe bridge.

For a great number of years the chamber permitted the parishioners of the parish of St. Edmond, in which these almshouses are situate, to have the nomination of the inhabitants thereof, on condition of doing the repairs thereof; and poor persons of that parish are placed in the houses, as vacancies occur, appointed by the parishioners of that parish assembled in vestry.

In closing our statement of the charities of which the chamber of Exeter are trustees, we wish to notice two documents found among the papers belonging to the chamber, since the former part of our Report was made.

The first is a deed, dated the 26th of March 1660, relating to Richard Crossing's gift to St. John's hospital, mentioned in a former part of our Report.

As the instrument itself was not then forthcoming, we could only state its purport from a recital in a subsequent deed of the 30th of September 1661. It did not clearly appear from that recital, by whom the sum of 404 *l.*, being the purchase money of the site of the Corn Market-place, was paid. The deed of the 26th of March 1660 states it to have been paid to Christopher Clarke and Christopher Lethbridge, by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and upon this deed is the following memorandum:—"This was before the inheritance of the city." The discovery of this instrument does not tend to remove the obscurities relating to this gift, as stated in a former part of our Report.

The other document relates to Amerideth's gift, mentioned in the same part of our Report, being the copy of a decree in Chancery, bearing date the 10th of September, in the 16th of James the 1st, in a cause between the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, plaintiffs, and Robert Waller, defendant; from which it appears, that the rent of 1 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* given by Amerideth had been withheld by the defendant; that doubts existed as to the lands charged therewith; that the defendant, by his answer, denied that he knew what lands were so charged, but consented to pay the said rent, and that it was accordingly decreed, that he, his heirs and assigns, should pay the same, with 10 *l.* for arrears. It clearly appears, therefore, from this decree, that the rent only of 1 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* and not any part of the lands out of which it is now paid, belongs to this charity.

It may be also proper to advert to the measures which have been taken by the chamber of Exeter, relative to the charities under their care.

In a former part of our Report we mentioned the appointment of a committee by the chamber, for the purpose of taking into their consideration the suggestions made by us upon the charities then investigated.

From the communications we have received from that committee, we learn that they have recommended to the chamber, and that the chamber have approved and adopted the following plan for the gradual payment of the debts due from that body to the various charities of which they are trustees; viz. That certain branches of the annual income of the chamber, estimated on an average to produce 1,370 *l.* per annum, shall be assigned to three members of the chamber, John Hart, Henry Blackall and William Crockett, esquires, who shall receive the same, and regularly pay the annual interest of the several balances due to the charities, and shall also pay the annual sum of 500 *l.* towards the discharge of the principals of those balances, and shall repay the annual surplus, if any, of those branches of income to the receiver-general of the chamber to the general account of that body; that the above-mentioned trustees shall make an annual report to the chamber of the result of their proceedings for the last year, within one month after Christmas day to the Michaelmas-day preceding, stating the charity or charities, the capital of the balances of which they have thus reduced; and that such annual report, signed by the said trustees, shall be inserted in at least two of the Exeter newspapers, in order that the public may be assured that the gradual reduction of the debt is going on.

We are informed, that the above-mentioned annual payment of 500 *l.* is to be independent of, and in addition to, any sums which the chamber may be called upon to pay under the directions of the Court of Chancery, in respect of such charities as have been, or may be, made the subject of proceedings in that court.

It is stated by the committee, that although there is not the slightest doubt of the means of the chamber being ultimately found more than adequate to the discharge of all demands upon them; yet that, from the state of their affairs, the raising at once of a sum sufficient to pay off all the balances due to the charities, might be attended with great difficulty and inconvenience.

It appears to us, that if the proposed plan is steadily adhered to, if the interest is regularly carried



to the account of each respective charity, and if the balances when paid are invested in the public funds, the charities will obtain all the advantages which they could derive from the immediate payment of the whole sum due.

In a former part of our Report, we suggested to the chamber the propriety of fixing a time for an annual audit of the accounts of the various charities under their management; and we are informed that they have adopted a resolution as recommended by the committee, that a special chamber shall annually be held on the last Wednesday in January, for the purpose of auditing and confirming the accounts of the curators of the several charities to the Michaelmas preceding; and that it shall be the duty of the curators to have prepared their accounts previously to that day, and to have procured their examination by the members of the charity committee.

A similar resolution has also been adopted by the chamber, as the governors of St. John's hospital, for an annual audit of the accounts of the steward thereof, on the last Saturday in January to the Michaelmas preceding.

During the short time that a printed copy of the former part of our Report has been in the hands of the members of the committee, their attention has been principally directed to the charities hitherto under the care of the officer called the Warden of the Poor; and the chamber have, upon their recommendation, resolved, that these charities shall be separated and placed under the care of different curators, and the following gentlemen have been appointed for that purpose:—

For William Hurst's almshouses	-	-	-	John Hart, esq.
The Ten Cells	-	-	-	-
Palmer's almshouses	-	-	-	Henry Blackall, esq.
Joan Tuckfield's gift for bread	-	-	-	Humphrey Pinhey, esq.
Buckenam's gift	-	-	-	-
Amerideth's gift	-	-	-	William Crockett, esq.
Chapman's gift	-	-	-	-

The committee, in their report to the chamber, have separated the income belonging to each of these charities, in conformity with the statements in a former part of our Report, and have recommended a division of the balance of 2,025*l.* 3*s.* which appeared to us to be due to these charities, for fines and rents carried to the general account of the chamber, and for money advanced to that body, as follows:—

	£.	s.	d.
To William Hurst's almshouses	1,100	-	-
The Ten Cells	250	-	-
Palmer's almshouses	315	3	-
Buckenam's charity	360	-	-
	£.	2,025	3 -

The committee have also taken into their consideration the state of the premises belonging to these charities, now held on leases determinable on lives, and have, in some instances, recommended that such leases should be allowed to determine; in others, that the leases should be renewed, but that in such cases, the reserved rents should be increased, and the fines invested in the public funds.

We are assured, that the various other points noticed by us will be brought under the consideration of the committee without delay.

We are informed that an information is in preparation, to be filed in the Court of Chancery by His Majesty's attorney-general against the chamber of Exeter, for the purpose of determining the various points arising between the chamber and St. John's hospital; and that a separate information is also in preparation, to be filed against the heirs of Sir John Maynard, and the surviving feoffees of the estates devised from Hele's gift, for the purpose of regulating the future disposal of the fines arising from those estates which were subject to the appointment of Sir John Maynard and Elize Stert, and the survivor of them; and of which no appointment appears to have been made by them, or by Sir John Maynard, who was the survivor.

The chamber of Exeter have put in their answer to the information stated in a former part of our Report to have been filed by the attorney-general, at the relation of Matthew Barrett and another, relating to Calwodeley's gift of the manor of Awliscombe.

To this answer exceptions have been taken on the part of the relators, which have been referred to one of the Masters of the court.

The following proceedings have taken place relating to Atwill's charity.

In August 1821, an order was obtained for appointing Mr. Robert Cornish, of Exeter, to be a new relator in the suit instituted in 1771, in the room of Mr. Adam Pierce, deceased; and a petition was presented by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, as the defendants in that suit, stating the several proceedings mentioned in a former part of our Report; and that the petitioners were desirous to account for a balance admitted to be in their hands in respect of surplus rents and profits accrued since 1812, when the estate at Uffculme fell into possession; and praying that an account might be taken in which an allowance might be made to them for the amount of the value of the land on which the almshouses were built in 1772 and 1815, with interest thereon, from the time of building the same; and that the directions of the court might be given for the application of the augmented funds of the charity.

This petition was set down to be heard before the Vice-chancellor; but before it could come on to be heard, an application was made to the Lord Chancellor on the behalf of certain inhabitants of Exeter, the relators in an information proposed to be filed against the said defendants for a general account, and for directions for the application of the funds of this charity, that the hearing of the petition might be stayed until the attorney-general should decide as to the propriety of allowing the information to proceed with reference to the petition already pending, and upon this application it was referred to the attorney-general to look into the proceedings, and determine accordingly.

Upon this reference, the attorney-general being of opinion that the sufficiency of the petition to answer the objects of the relators in the proposed information could not be determined without a hearing

a hearing of the petition itself, the petition was at his suggestion set down to be heard before the Lord Chancellor, who upon that hearing directed that accounts should be furnished by the petitioners for the purpose of securing the admitted balance, and at the same time of enabling the court the better to judge of the fitness of the proceeding by petition to answer the objects of the information.

The required accounts were produced accordingly, and a balance of 1,146*l.* 6*s.* was admitted to be due to the charity; but upon inspecting these accounts, it appearing to the Lord Chancellor that they were of a nature to call for further inquiry, and also that the original information was in the nature of a friendly suit, and not calculated to bring the defendants to so strict an account as the circumstances of the case required, his Lordship dismissed the petition, having previously ordered the admitted balance to be paid into court, and which has been paid accordingly.

The petition having been so dismissed, the proposed information obtained the necessary sanction of the attorney-general, and has been since filed.

## A P P E N D I X.

### ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL.

4th December 1820.—*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

WHAT office do you hold under the corporation of Exeter?—I assist my father in his office, who has been many years employed under the town-clerk of Exeter; and I act as committee clerk to the chamber, and as assistant to the receiver-general of the chamber and to the steward of St. John's Hospital.

What is the general mode in which the charities under the care of the chamber are conducted?—There are curators appointed for each charity, who take the management of them, except the charities called St. John's Hospital and the Blue Maids' Hospital, which are conducted by a president and steward, annually appointed. The steward of St. John's Hospital is appointed by the chamber, as being the governors of that charity, and he is always a member of the chamber. The yearly president of the hospital is usually the person who was mayor the preceding year.

Where are the deeds and documents belonging to St. John's Hospital kept?—They are kept at the hospital, but many of them are supposed to be at the guildhall. The most ancient deeds at the guildhall are now under the inspection of a gentleman acquainted with old manuscripts, in order to know their purport.

Where are the wills, mentioned in the particulars delivered by you, of gifts to the hospital?—I do not know where they are to be found; there is no book of wills in the custody of the governors, but there is an old register containing a short account of the gifts, similar to that which I have delivered.

[*Note.*—This register was afterwards produced.]

What does the property belonging to this hospital consist of?—

[Witness delivered a rental of the lands under the gift of Sir John Maynard and Elize Stert, as the trustees of Elize Hele, marked (A). See this rental at the end of the Evidence.]

How are the fines of this part of the property applied?—They are received by the town-clerk, who pays over the same to Henry Ley, esq., the person deputed by the heirs of Sir John Maynard to receive the same. I believe there is no account of those fines kept, but that they are paid over as soon as they are received. I do not know whether the expenses are first deducted out of the fines or not.

In what manner are the leases of this property renewed?—When one or more lives have dropped, on the application of the lessee, the surveyor is directed to ascertain the value of the renewal and the annual value of the land, in order to estimate the amount of the conventional rent to be reserved in pursuance of the directions of the schedule annexed to the foundation deed of this gift. In general, a fourth part of the annual value is reserved on the renewals. The practice used to be to grant reversionary leases, reserving the increased conventional rent on the determination of the existing leases; but of late years that practice has been altered, and a surrender is taken of the existing leases, and the increased conventional rent takes place immediately on the renewals.

Is the clause mentioned in the schedule to the foundation deed, respecting the proof of the existence of the lives, inserted in these leases?—It is uniformly.

Is the other clause, relative to cutting timber and committing waste, inserted in the leases?—That clause appears in leases produced, dated in 1774 and 1787, but it seems to have been omitted in the modern leases. I was not aware of the clause being directed in the schedule, but in future I will take care that it shall be inserted.

From whence have you ascertained the amount of the yearly value of the lands stated in the rental?—In the year 1813, the manors of Lawrence Clist and Clist Gerrard were surveyed, and the value stated is taken from that survey. The value stated is the gross value, without allowing for taxes and repairs. In estimating the fine and rent upon renewals of leases, deductions are first made on these accounts.

Is there any such manor as that of Clist St. Giles?—I apprehend Clist St. Giles is the same as Clist Gerrard; it is in the parish of Broadclist.

Where is the manor of Teighharvey?—In the parish of Stoke-in-Teighthead.

Are courts held for these manors?—No manor courts are held; but the steward and some of the feoffees attend twice a year to receive the rents. I have never found any court rolls or court books.

When lands fall into hand, all the lives having dropped, how are leases then granted?—They are granted under the direction of the feoffees, but I know but of few instances of that sort.

Have any steps been taken to let the property, Nos. 8, 18 and 19, in this rental, which are stated to be now in hand?—I cannot state what has been done with regard to these.

In what manner was the lease of No. 34 in the rental granted?—I think an auction was held for granting this.

Are you personally acquainted with the lands?—I am not; but Mr. John Powning, the reeve of the manor, is well acquainted with the lands; he is employed to ascertain the value of the leases previous to their being granted, he can speak more particularly to the mode in which the value is ascertained and the bargains made, and the state of repairs, timber, &c.

5th December.

HAVE you the particulars of the other property belonging to St. John's Hospital?—

[Witness delivered a rental, marked (B.), containing a particular of the other property of the hospital, which, with some additions and alterations, will be found at the end of the Evidence.]

Does this rental contain all the lands at Exeter, or elsewhere, belonging to the hospital, exclusive of that taken under Sir John Maynard's and Elize Stert's deed?—I believe it does, except the hospital itself.

Are the houses demised by the leases mapped, to show their boundaries?—There is a map in the margin of almost all the existing leases of the property demised, by which the boundaries and extent are ascertained.

Do you know whether the lives for which the lease of No. 11, lately used as the city bridewell, was granted in 1741, by the governors of the hospital, to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, are now in existence?—I do not. The rent reserved by that lease has been considered as a chief rent, payable to the hospital; and the premises were supposed to belong to the chamber, but within a few months the counterpart of lease now produced has been discovered, which shows that the property belongs to the hospital.

What use is now made of the premises demised by that lease?—The premises are still in the occupation of the person who was the late bridewell keeper; he is an old man, and one of the staff-bearers of the chamber. The bridewell is now in another part of the city, a new one having been lately built. An application has been made by the lessee of the adjoining house for a lease of this old bridewell.

[Note.—The above-mentioned counterpart of the lease is dated 21st December 1741, from the governors of the hospital to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and granted in consideration of a fine of 40 l. for 99 years, determinable on the lives of Francis Stonard Newoombe and John Newcombe, sons of William Newcombe, and John Hawker, son of John Hawker, at the rent of 1 l. 6 s. 8 d.; and the premises are described to be two tenements or dwelling-houses, outhouses, curtilages and gardens thereto belonging, late in the possession of Catharine Randall, in Paris-street, in the parish of St. Sidwell, and then in the possession of the governors. There is no map annexed to the counterpart. By the hospital accounts of 1741, this fine of 40 l. appears to have been received from the chamber.]

When were the lands in Exeter, of this charity, last mapped and surveyed?—In the year 1759. There has been no survey since that time, and therefore the description contained in the leases, which corresponds with the survey then made, may not quite agree with the state of the property.

[Note.—The survey of 1759 was a general survey of all the property in the possession of the mayor and chamber, including the property of the hospital.]

What is the state of the premises, No. 17 in the rental?—The house in the court-yard behind is a good house, occupied by a druggist.

Can you account for the circumstance of no fine having been paid for this lease in 1765?—I cannot.

[Witness produced a surrender, dated in 1764, of a former lease of these premises, upon which two lives were then subsisting, and a further term of 31 years was to commence after the death of the survivor of them. This surrender was made in consideration of the lessee being released from a small arrear of rent, and from the covenants to repair.]

Do you know the property at Colyton, No. 25 in the rental, or the value of it?—I do not. I have heard it is not good land.

[In a rental of 1752, this tenement appears to have been then let at a rack-rent of 16 l.]

Do you know how the field in Longbrooke-street, No. 27 in the rental, was let previously to granting the present lease for 99 years, determinable on three lives, in 1802?—I find from the accounts, that in 1777 it was let at a rack-rent of 7 l. It was afterwards let at 7 l. 10 s.; and in 1779, at 9 l. a year, at which rent it continued till the present lease was granted to Mr. Ford.

Who is in possession of the property called Duryard Mill Tenement, out of which a rent-charge of 30 l. is stated in the rental produced by you to be payable?—A part of this tenement was sold five or six years ago by the chamber of Exeter, for 1,000 years, to Mr. Thomas Gray. The residue of it is now let to two tenants, by the governors of St. John's Hospital. The whole rents have been carried to the account of the hospital; but the corporation conceive that they have a claim to these lands, subject to a rent-charge of only 30 l. per annum to the hospital. This claim will be explained by Mr. Blackall and Mr. Collins.

[Note.—In a rental of 1752, amongst the rack-rents of St. John's Hospital, is the following entry:—"A rent-charge of 30 l. a year on Duryard Mill Tenement, which premises are deficient, being now let to Humphrey Humphreys, subject to the rates, taxes and repairs, at 34 l."]

Have you found any document relating to Richard Crossing's gift, from which, according to Izacke's printed Register of Charities, a rent-charge of 30 l. a year is payable to the hospital out of the corn-market?—I think I have seen a deed relating to it in the hospital chest, for which I will search.

[This deed was afterwards produced, and is noticed in the Report.]

How far back can you trace the payment of 14 l. 8 s. from the corn-market to the hospital?—I find that sum paid in 1752.

By whom is that payment made?—By the chamber, who receive the tolls of the market.

[In the rental of 1752, is the following entry: "Edward John's, a public-house in the corn-market, 14 l. 8 s."]

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Have you any documents relating to Sir Edward Seaward's gift?—

[Witness produced a deed, appointing new trustees, dated 20th May, 4 Geo. 2, of this gift.]

What is the amount of the rents of the premises, of which the conventional rents were appropriated to the payment of the interest of Sir Edward Seaward's gift?—The present amount of these rents is 39*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* a year.

Has any part of the property, of which the rents were appropriated to the payment of this interest, been alienated?—I believe one tenement has been sold, the house in the Butcher-row, which I think was called "late Trist's." The tenement and two towers over Eastgate, and the tenement near the East-gate have been taken down. In the accounts, the rent of 4*l.* for the house in High-street, near Broad-gate, is called a chief-rent for several years past.

6th December.—*Charles Collins, Esq.*

How long have you been a member of the corporation of Exeter?—I have been in the chamber since the year 1799.

Are there curators appointed of all the charities under the management of the chamber?—There are curators of most of them, but there are two or three considerable charities of which there are no curators, which are under the direction of an officer of the chamber, called the warden of the poor.

Have you any observation to make respecting the appointment of the officers of St. John's Hospital?—The steward is a yearly officer, which I think objectionable, because the frequent change of that officer prevents him from being well acquainted with the affairs of the establishment, which I think would be better conducted by a permanent officer, or at least by a permanent assisstant to the steward.

Do you know whether the expenses are deducted out of the fines paid for renewals of leases under Hele's, otherwise Sir John Maynard's charity, before they are paid over to the heirs of Sir John Maynard?—There is an unsettled account of those fines between the feoffees of these lands and the heirs of Sir John Maynard. Mr. Westlake, Mr. Walker and myself are the feoffees, and we are anxious to have that account settled, and the balance paid over to Mr. Ley, the agent, on behalf of the heirs; but we have had some difficulty as to the proportion of the general expenses of the management of the trust property, which ought to be paid by the heirs. Mr. Powning has been employed for some years past to look over and value and superintend the repairs of the estates, and he has not been paid, on account of our doubts as to the share of this expense which ought to be paid out of the fines.

In cases where leases have fallen into hand, in what manner have renewals been made?—In those cases, the new leases are not granted, except by public auction. In the case of Clapp Mills, No. 34, rental (A.), three different auctions were held before the present lease was granted. At the two first we could not get a sufficient price, and at the third a price was given, which I consider a very high price, and 100*l.* more than I thought it worth. The Rev. Charles Walkey, the lessee, is my son-in-law, but I recommended him not to purchase it; however, he bought the lease at the request of his uncle, who gave him the money to pay for it.

How do you settle the rent to be reserved on all renewals of leases?—We refer to the valuation made in 1813, from which we deduct 20 per cent. on account of the subsequent depreciation of the value of land, and we take a fourth part of the value so taken.

Do you consider the valuation of the lands of Clist Gerrard and Clist St. Lawrence, made by Mr. J. Powning and Mr. Cartwright in 1813, to be a fair criterion of the present annual value?—I do not. I think, in consequence of the fall in the value of land, that 20 per cent. ought to be deducted from it, considering the situation of the land.

Do you know whether any manor courts have been usually held of these manors?—None have been ever held within my recollection. Shortly after I came into the chamber, as we found that the dinners at what are called the courts were very expensive, and that a number of persons dined there whose presence was not necessary at receiving the rents, this practice was altered, and those only now ought to dine who are feoffees or hold offices; but this regulation has been broken in upon. The numbers who now dine vary from ten to fourteen. The tenants attend the courts to pay their rents, but do not dine at the expense of the trust.

Have any steps been taken for leasing Nos. 8, 18 and 19, in rental (A.)?—As to No. 8, we have only lately heard that it had fallen into hand; it is a small cottage only, and we have called on the representative of the lessee for dilapidations. Nos. 18 and 19 are cottages also, and when we have held auctions for other purposes, we have put up these also, but have not been able to get any bidings for new leases; they are, therefore, now let to a labourer of the Rev. Mr. Walkey's, but I do not know whether any rent has yet been paid for them.

Is the advowson of the rectory of Clist St. Lawrence belonging to the hospital?—It is vested in the feoffees of the manor. The present incumbent, Mr. Walkey, was presented about 17 or 18 years since, before I became a feoffee, which was in 1808.

Have you any observation to make with respect to the lands at Teignharvey?—The rent previously to the present lease was 20*l.* a year; it is now 45*l.* At my suggestion, a survey was made of that property, previously to the granting the present lease; and the fine procured was 950*l.* instead of (I think) 400*l.* which had been offered.

Did you know the three persons mentioned as the lives in the lease of the bridewell of 1741, part of Vilvayne's gift?—I knew two of the lives personally, viz. Francis Stonard Newcombe and John Newcombe, who are both dead. The other life, John Hawker, I think, was the father of the present Dr. Hawker, of Plymouth. I think John Newcombe survived the others; he died many years ago.

[Note.—Upon inquiry, it was ascertained that John Hawker died about 1760; F. S. Newcombe, in 1781; and John Newcombe, in 1791.]

What is the present state of this building, which was the old bridewell?—It is a very old building, worth little or nothing in its present state. The best use to be made of it, would be to grant a lease by auction, in consideration of laying out a sum in building a new house there.

What were the circumstances under which the field in Longbrooke-street, No. 27, which appears to have been let at rack-rent previous to 1802, was then let on lease for lives?—This field was in a low situation, and was a deposit of the filth of that part of the city. It had long been considered a great public nuisance; and as the present lessee, Mr. Ford, offered to take the field on lease for lives,

lives, and to convert it into a nursery, by which the nuisance would be removed, we accepted his offer, and granted the lease.

How was the present lease of No. 26, the house at Lyme, given by John Pley, granted?—There was a long treaty with the tenant before the fine was agreed upon; but at length he was induced to give what we thought the value, and a fair price was given for it.

What do you know of the property called Duryard Mill Tenement?—This tenement, till within a few years, had been supposed to belong to the hospital; but it was discovered that the estate belonged to the chamber, and that the same was subject only to the payment of 30 *l.* a year to the hospital, as the interest of 600 *l.*, the gift of John Bidgood to the hospital, for the interest of which this estate was chargeable. A deed was discovered, which showed these circumstances.

Are you able to explain why the gift of Richard Crossing, which appears, by Izacke's printed Register, to be 30 *l.* a year, payable out of the corn-market, is only now 14 *l.* 8 *s.*?—As far back as I have seen the accounts, I find only 14 *l.* 8 *s.* paid. I am not able to explain the reason of the deficiency.

Has any lease been granted of any part of the hospital property, to any member of the corporation?—No lease has been granted to any member of the corporation in my time.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

How long have you been a member of the corporation of Exeter?—Since the year 1809.

What office do you hold in St. John's Hospital?—I am president for the present year; I was mayor last year. The mayor of the preceding year is usually elected president of this hospital for the ensuing year. I have twice held the office of steward of the hospital, once in my own name, and once for a friend. The president and steward are elected annually.

How long have the accounts of the hospital been kept distinct from the general accounts of the corporation?—Since the year 1809, they have been kept quite distinct; previously to that time, the balances of this charity were carried into the general account of the chamber.

[*Note.*—It appears from the accounts, that about the year 1740, the four offices of steward of St. John's Hospital, steward of the Blue Maids' Hospital, warden of the poor, receiver-general of the chamber, were usually held by the same individual, in four consecutive years. From 1757 to 1777, the same person held two of the said offices one year, and the other two in the following year. Subsequently, all the four offices were united in the same year, in the same person, till 1809.]

What does the present establishment of St. John's Hospital consist of?—In the first place, of the grammar school-house and school. The house was built on lands of the chamber, and not of the hospital, about the year 1776. The city wall is the boundary of the old hospital, and the house is without the wall. It has been lately resolved by the chamber, that the school-house shall be granted by them to the governors for a term of 100 years, at the yearly rent of 25 *l.*, and a deed has been executed accordingly. The establishment also contains a school of about 20 boys (at present), called Blue Boys, who are clothed, boarded and instructed. There is also a chapel, at which Divine service is constantly performed twice on Sundays, by the master of the free grammar-school. The lower part of the building in which the grammar-school is kept is the cloth-hall, which the chamber hold at a rent paid to the governors of the hospital. The buildings behind are the perquisite of the master. There are cellars also, which belong to the hospital, which are let at a yearly rent. There was formerly a house, which used to be occupied by the writing-master, who was a distinct person from that of the master of the Blue Boys. This house was found unnecessary since these two masterships have been united, and the same has been gutted, leaving the roof only; and it now forms a play-place for the Blue Boys, together with a small part of the master's garden, railed off for that purpose.

Are there any free boys now in the Latin school?—I believe there are some; I know of one or two; there may be others.

Does the master, on his appointment, undertake to teach the sons of freemen gratuitously?—He does, provided they are recommended by the chamber. There have been very few applications, but none have ever been refused. The present master is bound to take only 6 *l.* 6 *s.* a year, for the tuition of any day-boys in his school.

Are any of the Blue Boys admitted upon particular foundations?—In the parish of St. Paul there is a right, under Gandy's gift, to send two boys to the school. The heirs of Newcombe (another donor) have also a right to send one. These rights are exercised. I believe the heirs of Sir John Maynard do not send the exact proportion of boys which they are entitled to send to the school, but boys are occasionally recommended by them.

Do you know whether there were ever any poor or impotent people in the hospital, as mentioned in the charter of Charles the First?—I never heard of any such persons having been admitted.

Are the boys placed in the school under Hele's or Sir John Maynard's gift distinguished from the other Blue Boys?—Not in their dress or treatment; but these boys, in addition to a premium of 6 *l.*, receive 4 *l.* at the expiration of their apprenticeship. All the boys are allowed a premium of 6 *l.* each for apprenticing, if they can obtain proper masters.

Is any annual sum paid to the master of the grammar-school by the chamber, in respect of the annuity formerly granted by them out of the manor of Exe Island?—None.

By whom are the Blue Boys appointed?—They are appointed by the governors, from the city and county of Exeter, at a meeting called to fill up any vacancy that from time to time arises, with the exception of those appointed by Sir John Maynard's heirs, and under the other gifts, which direct other modes of appointment.

Do you know whether there are any written appointments of the masters of the grammar-school?—The master is furnished with a copy of the resolutions of the trustees, passed at the time when he is appointed. There is no other written appointment.

9th December.—*Charles Collins, Esq.*

THERE appears to have been, by the original deed founding the school in 1629, an annuity of 20 *l.* a year, issuing out of the manor of Exe Island, granted by the mayor and commonalty, in consideration of 350 *l.* for the maintenance of the master of the grammar-school. This annuity never appears to have been paid. Can you account for this?—I cannot. No such payment has ever been aid by the chamber, that I ever heard of.

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Can you account for the conventionary rent of Boars Down, in Colyton, being no more than 19*l.* 10*s.* a year, no fine being paid for the lease in 1794, it being 74 acres, which let in 1657 at 28*l.* a year clear rent?—I cannot. I have heard the land is bad. I have given directions for having the land surveyed and valued. This was the property given by Dorothy Mogridge, No. 25 in rental (B.)

What do you suppose to be the premises in the parish of St. Paul, given by Walter Borough?—These are Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, in the rental. I am not quite sure whether Nos. 1 and 2 are not also part of the same property.

[*Note.*—It appears by the steward's account from 1762 to 1763, that Nos. 1 and 2 are also part of Borough's gift.]

Is the whole of the rents and profits of these houses, given by Mr. Borough, applied to the hospital, or is there any clothing paid for out of them according to his directions?—There are some clothes given away yearly by the warden of the poor, but whether that is paid for out of these rents I cannot state for certainty. I believe the rents are wholly received by the governors of the hospital.

What is the property in Northgate-street, which came to the hospital as the gift of Nicholas and Susanna Martyn?—That property is No. 24 in the rental. I recollect when it consisted of two houses; it is now one house, which has been built since the lease of 1814, and the premises are greatly improved, a large sum of money having been laid out by the lessee thereon.

Have you the annuity of 4*l.* given by Thomas Tooker?—Yes. It is No. 10 in the rental.

What is the property given by Joan Taylor and Simon Snow?—It is No. 17 in the rental. There are two tenements, one facing Waterbeare-lane, and the other is a court behind.

Do you think 15*l.* a year might be a fair clear rent for these houses in 1765?—Not knowing the state of repair at that time, I cannot form an opinion on that point: I knew it about the year 1770: the house in the court was a good house at that time, in the possession of Mr. Luke, a merchant.

Might not the present lease be allowed to expire, with advantage to the charity, and the premises be let for the best yearly rent, according to the donor's directions?—I think they might. They are in a good situation for business.

Can you give any information concerning the 500*l.* given by Thomas Bridgman to the chamber, and which appears by the Act Book to have been appropriated to the binding of poor boys in this hospital apprentices?—I can give no information on the subject.

Can you state what property in the rental comprises that given by the will of James White?—It is contained under Nos. 19, 20 and 21, in the rental.

Can you give any information as to the gifts by Rebecca Borough of 200*l.*, and by John Lovering of 120*l.*, by James Gould of 100*l.*, by Edward Mitchell of 200*l.*, by John Cooke of 100*l.*, and by John Tucker of 100*l.*, to the hospital?—I cannot.

Can you state how the 200*l.* given to the hospital by Gilbert Keate, was invested?—I cannot state that; but two boys are received into the hospital from the parish of St. Mary Major, in consideration of this gift.

Is the annuity given by John Mounswell paid to the hospital?—It is. It forms No. 9 in the rental.

Are the governors in the receipt of the annuity of 8*l.*, the gift of Ralph Herman?—They are. It is contained in the rental, No. 16.

What is the property given by Robert Vilvayne to the hospital?—It is comprised in Nos. 11 and 12 in the rental.

How are the rents of Vilvayne's tenements, given for the maintenance of the schoolmaster and usher, applied?—The rents are carried into the general account of the hospital.

Are any payments made to pensioners, called Dr. Vilvayne's Pensioners, under Mr. Snow's will?—One has been lately appointed, and another is to be shortly appointed, but none had been before appointed for several years.

How is that exhibition paid?—It is paid by the chamber. The building, formerly a brewhouse, upon which the rent-charge for the payment of these pensioners is charged, is much decreased in value, but this will be a subject of inquiry when the Blue Maids' hospital comes to be examined.

12th December.—*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

[Produced a lease, dated 19th January 1820, from the mayor and chamber to the governors of the hospital, granted in consideration of the governors having built a house on a spot of ground belonging to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, of that spot of ground, with a large curtilage or play-place behind the said house, and the garden adjoining, as described in a plan annexed to the lease, in the possession of the Rev. C. H. Collyns, master of the free grammar-school, for 100 years, from Michaelmas 1818, at the rent of 25*l.*]

Do you recollect the old buildings upon the ground where the present grammar-school house was built?—I do. It consisted of one tolerably good house, and other houses which were old; the whole were situate outside the city wall, and beyond the boundaries of the hospital. I have never seen the lease now produced until this morning; and I observe an error in the lease as well as in the plan annexed, which describes the garden as part of the premises demised; whereas the garden is within the city wall, and is part of the hospital, and not part of the land granted by the lease. I will take care that this mistake shall be set right.

Was the value of the garden taken into the calculation of the rent at the time of granting the lease?—It was not. Mr. Blackall and myself calculated the rent, and we were both aware that the garden did not belong to the chamber.

Do you know whether, in 1776, when the master's house was built, any arrangement took place between the chamber and the governors, as to the land upon which the house was built?—There were some existing leases at that time from the chamber, which were purchased by the governors of the hospital.

[*Note.*—From a subsequent inspection of the accounts, it appears that the money for the purchase of these leases was advanced by the chamber.]

Has any rent at any time been paid by the governors to the chamber for these premises?—None.

Was any arrangement made by the master of the grammar-school, in consequence of his being allowed to occupy these premises?—His salary which had been previously 40*l.* was reduced to 20*l.*



Do you know whether the whole of the premises in Paris-street, given by Dr. Vilvayne, are now in the possession of the charity?—Nos. 11 and 12 in the rental contain Vilvayne's gift; No. 11 is the bridewell, and No. 12 is James Clarke's. There was a building between these two tenements, which was, I understand, used as an hospital for soldiers; and this was leased in 1813, improperly, for 1,000 years, by the chamber, for a fine of 84*l.*; Mr. Thomas Campion and Mr. Powning can speak to this more particularly.

Can you give any further information respecting the grant out of the corn-market?—I have learnt nothing more about it. The corn-market is now productive and very well able to pay, not only the annuity of 30*l.*, but any other claim which the hospital may have upon it.

Is there a public-house in the corn-market?—There is, which as I suppose belongs to the chamber, and the tenant of that house rents the tolls of the corn-market.

What are the premises charged, by Stephen Olivean, with the annuity of 10*l.*, of which premises the hospital appears to be now in possession?—These are the premises, No. 18 in the rental.

What does the hospital receive as the residue of the rents under Christopher Lethbridge's gift?—The premises are situate in Newton Abbott and in St. Thomas the Apostle. Upon a late examination of the accounts of Christopher Lethbridge's charity, it appeared that, the chamber was indebted to that charity in a considerable sum, for fines received and money borrowed. A sum of 765*l.* is carried to the credit of the hospital from Christopher Lethbridge's gift, in the account lately made out between the chamber and the hospital: There have been heretofore various sums paid into the hospital account from this charity, but not for several years past.

Do you know anything of Sir Benjamin Oliver's gift of 200*l.* to the hospital?—I do not.

What is the property given by Henry Gandy to the hospital?—It is contained in No. 22 in the rental; that which was a field is now a garden.

Are two boys taken into the hospital from the parish of St. Paul, under this gift?—They are, and have been from the year 1810; they are sent by the parish of St. Paul, as they are entitled to be, under Gandy's gift.

Do you know anything of an annuity of 50*s.*, part of the interest of 216*l.* given by John Lethbridge to the chamber, which was to be applied to this hospital?—I do not.

What are the premises given by Mr. Newcombe to the hospital?—These are No. 28 in the rental; the part of the town in which this property is situate is much improved of late years; within my recollection, houses in that situation were of very little value.

Is the sum of 30*s.* annually paid out of these premises to St. Catharine's almshouses, as the gift of Elizabeth Southmead, as mentioned in Mr. Newcombe's deed of gift?—The sum of 30*s.* is paid out of these premises.

Is there a boy kept at the hospital in respect of this gift, nominated by Mr. Newcombe's heirs?—There is a boy always kept at the hospital, who is at present nominated by Mr. Newcombe, the son of the donor.

Are there any trustees of this gift at present?—There are none, except the governors of the hospital, who have let the houses from time to time. A considerable sum has been laid out on this property in repairs.

Do you know how the houses and field in Longbrooke-street, Nos. 23 and 27, became vested in the hospital?—I cannot state; but I have supposed that these may have been purchased with some of the monies given to the hospital.

Do you know how the property, Nos. 13, 14, and 15, in the rental, became vested in the hospital?—It was, I apprehend, part of the property originally granted to the governors of the hospital. There is a stone in the wall of the garden of the master of the Blue School, which marks the ancient boundary of the hospital.

It appears, that between the years 1648 and 1660, certain property belonging to the church of Exeter was purchased by the hospital, viz. the fee of the manor of St. Sidwell, the bishop's palace, the house of the archdeacons of Totnes, and several churches called "Useless Churches;" do you know what became of this property?—I apprehend the whole was given up at the time of the restoration, to the church, of whose revenues it formed a part.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

HAVE you anything to offer on the subject of the examination of Mr. Collins, taken to-day, and on the 9th instant, on the subject of St. John's Hospital?—I have nothing to add to it. I have heard it read, and it is, I believe, correct.

14th December.

WHAT is the cellar at the hospital, which appears to have been let to John Hill, at 8*l.* 8*s.* a year, and which is first introduced into the accounts in 1813?—The late writing-master was allowed to live in the old house till his death. This is the house which has, since his death, been converted into a play-place for the Blue Boys. The cellar was part of that old house; that cellar was rented by Mr. Hill, at 8*l.* 8*s.* a year; but being in a dilapidated state, has been given up by him, and he has been permitted, in lieu of it, to hold some other rooms, heretofore rented by the chamber, with the cloth hall, at the same rent of 8*l.* 8*s.* The Rev. Mr. Collins, the grammar schoolmaster, by a late resolution of the governors, is to be allowed the use of one of these rooms; and Mr. Hill will have some other accommodation in lieu of it, so that there will be no diminution of rent.

What is the rent at present paid by the chamber to the governors for the cloth hall?—There has been no new agreement, the rent was 26*l.* a year; but the fairs are fallen off, and rooms have been from time to time given up, particularly the room now a committee room, and I think that 18*l.* a year will now be a sufficient rent.

Has there been any alteration of the play-places of the boys of the two schools made lately?—It was found very inconvenient to the day boys of the grammar-school, the number of which has much increased, that they had no place, except the street, to wait in until the school hours; and it was therefore lately ordered, that they should have a place within the walls for that purpose, and for other necessary purposes; and thereupon the Blue Boys, who had before enjoyed the court now allotted to the grammar day boys, were provided with the play-place where the old house of the writing master stood; and I think this alteration has been attended with no inconvenience to the Blue Boys, who are now as well off as they were before.



Is the hospital visited by inspectors according to a resolution in the Act Book of 27th September 1809, and other resolutions to the like effect?—I believe not.

How often do the governors meet?—They meet regularly on St. Matthew's-day, 21st September; there are no other regular times for meetings. The governors are called together by the president or steward, as they find occasion.

Is there any appointed time for auditing the accounts?—There is not. In the year 1816, there was an audit of the accounts from 1802 to 1808; the annual accounts are generally kept yearly by the stewards, with the assistance of Mr. Campion, although they are not regularly entered up in the books and audited by the governors. In the year 1817 also, there was an audit by the governors of the accounts from 1808 to 1813.

What are the Blue Boys taught?—They are taught reading, writing and arithmetic.

What is the present allowance made by the governors for each Blue Boy to the master?—Sixteen pounds a year, which is for board, lodging and washing; the parents of the boys are not at any expense in the maintenance of these boys. I believe the boys are provided with sufficient and proper food. I have not heard of any complaint. The master also provides the clothing of the boys out of the above-mentioned allowance. When the boys leave the school, they are obliged to leave their clothing behind them, for the benefit of the master. They are furnished each with a complete set once a year, at Easter; the suit consists of a coat, waistcoat, breeches, stockings, shoes and a shirt; the boys are also provided with caps and gowns, which are paid for besides out of the funds of the hospital. The master is allowed a casual bill for necessaries, for the school-house and the boys; and this bill also contains the expense of an entertainment on St. Matthew's-day, to which the master of the grammar-school, and ushers, and the writing master are invited, and it also includes the expenses of the governors at their meetings, for cakes, fruit, &c.

[Note.—Casual bill produced from Michaelmas 1817 to Michaelmas 1818, in which are the following items:

	£.	s.	d.
" — — — Buns, fruit, &c. - - -	1	6	
" — — — Ditto - - -	13	6	
" Sept. 21 - - Fruit, &c. - - -	5	15	10
" — Buns, &c. - - -	7	9	

The whole of this casual bill amounts to - - - £. 32. 12.]

When the allowance was only 7*l.* a year for each boy, did that sum include clothing for the boys?—It did, I believe.

In the accounts there are charges for linen and blankets; are these for the boys?—They are for sheets and blankets for the boys.

There are in the accounts sums charged for wine sent to the hospital and to Broadcliff courts; and in 1812, a wine merchant's bill appears to have been paid for wine, amounting to 52*l.* 13*s.*; what does this expense for wine mean?—It is for wine used at the meetings of the governors, at the hospitals, and at the dinners at the Broadcliff courts. That wine merchant's bill was for the wine in the years 1810, 1811 and 1812; no other wine appears to have been charged for in those years.

Who attend the Broadcliff courts?—Heretofore all the members of the chamber, and all the tenants of the manors, were generally invited, and the clergymen of the Broadcliff and Lawrence Clift; in 1813 those only of the chamber were invited who held offices. There are two courts or meetings held every year for these manors. Chaises are provided at the expense of the hospital funds for those of the chamber who attend.

What business is done at these courts, as they are called?—The tenants pay their rents to the steward, and the reeve gives any directions that may be thought necessary as to the repairs of the farms, and the tenants are interrogated as to the state of the lives on which the leases are held.

Could not the business of these courts be as well conducted if the steward and reeve alone attended?—I think it might, with the assistance of the town-clerk or his assistant.

Since the alteration in 1809 took place in the mode of keeping the accounts, has a separate account of the expenditure on account of Sir John Maynard's part of this charity been kept?—There were, up to the year 1813, separate accounts made out, which contained certain proportions of the general expenses of the hospital.

[Note.—These accounts, which are copied in the hospital book, are called copies of the accounts as delivered to the heirs of Sir John Maynard.]

What is meant by the charge of 4*l.* by each steward as the expense of passing the accounts?—That sum is retained by the steward, being the allowance under Hele's gift for a yearly entertainment. At the time of auditing the accounts there is an entertainment, at which each steward whose accounts are audited contributes this allowance towards the expenses thereof.

There is a charge of 2*s.* 6*d.* introduced in some of the accounts, as paid to boys who attend on the mayor?—There is such a sum paid to three boys, who attend on the mayor on certain state days, but this ought not to have been introduced into the hospital accounts.

Do the boys of both schools attend the chapel?—They do.

What remuneration does the master receive for doing duty in the chapel?—He has only the privilege of letting the seats; he receives no other remuneration for the duty which he performs there.

Are the free boys in the grammar-school instructed in the same manner as the other day boys in that school?—I understand they are.

Is the annuity of 5*l.* given by John Mounswell applied in the purchase of Bibles?—It is not.

Are Bibles provided for the boys in either of the schools?—They are provided for the Blue Boys.

15th December.—Mr. Thomas Campion.

Who is now in possession of the property, part of Vilvayne's gift, leased in 1741 by the governors to the chamber, except the bridewell, which the chamber still holds?—A lease was granted by the chamber in 1786, of this part of the property for 99 years, determinable on three lives, to Mr. Joseph Gattey, for a fine of 15*l.* 15*s.*, at the rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* This part had been previously used as a soldier's hospital, and was considered as belonging to the chamber. In 1813 the chamber granted a lease for 1,000 years to Mr. John Youd of the same part of the premises, at a nominal rent, for the sum of 84*l.*, and both these fines were carried to the general chamber account.

Was Mr. Joseph Gattey a member of the corporation in 1786?—He was not at that time; I believe he was elected in 1793.

In whose possession is the garden belonging to No. 11?—The late bridewell keeper has the garden.

Were there any buildings on the field in Longbrooke-street, let to Mr. Ford?—I believe not.

Is that field near the parish of St. Sidwell?—It is near the parish of St. Sidwell; one side of Longbrooke-street is in the parish of St. Sidwell, and the other in the parish of St. David.

*Mr. John Powning, Surveyor.*

ARE the premises leased for 1,000 years to Youd much improved since the granting of that lease?—They are much improved, a considerable sum of money has been laid out on them.

Would the bridewell and garden let well to be used as a dwelling-house?—I think it would let best on a repairing and improving lease for lives.

Do you not think the whole of these premises would produce more, if they could be let together, as they might if Youd's lease had not been granted?—I think they might.

Have you been long acquainted with the value of property at Exeter?—I have practised the business of a surveyor here for 30 years.

Do you think the houses of the charity in Exeter would be more beneficially let, if leased at rack-rent, than if leased for years, determinable on lives, for fines with a reservation of conventional rents?—The trouble of managing such property, if let at rack-rent, would be greater, and I do not think it would be more advantageous to lease at rack-rent than for lives.

Are not houses in Exeter, belonging to individuals, generally let for years at rack-rent?—They are. Public bodies only in general grant leases for lives.

Where houses are let at rack-rent, do the tenants generally do the repairs?—I think the landlords more frequently do the repairs.

Have you lately made a survey of the manors of Clist St. Lawrence, and Clist Gerrard?—I did, with Mr. Cartwright, in the year 1813, and also of an estate called Brimleys, at Bovey, held by Mr. John Bragg.

Do you consider that property has fallen in value in those situations, since your survey in 1813?—It has, from 15 to 20 per cent.

On those renewals which have been made of leases in these manors since 1813, have you calculated the value of such renewals?—I have.

How do you calculate the reserved rent?—I take from the gross value the amount of rates, taxes and repairs, and one-fourth of the residue is the conventional rent to be reserved. The fine is calculated upon the number of years purchase of the remaining three-fourths, according to tables.

How was the valuation of the property leased to Mr. Walkey made, No. 34 in the rental (A.)?—I first deducted 20 per cent. from the valuation made in 1813, and then deducting rates, taxes and repairs, I took a fourth part of the residue as the conventional rent. I valued the lease upon the number of years purchase of the remaining three-fourth parts; the fine, however, received from Mr. Walkey fell short of my valuation considerably; but two or three auctions were held, and the fine offered by Mr. Walkey was the largest price that could be procured.

[*Note.*—The following is the process of calculation:—

	£.	s.	d.
Gross annual value - - - - -	170	-	-
Deduct 20 per cent. - - - - -	34	-	-
	136	-	-
Rates, taxes and repairs - - - - -	22	-	-
	114	-	-
Conventional rent, one-fourth - - - - -	28	10	-
	85	10	-
Multiplied by the number of years purchase for 3 lives -	13	4	-
Fine as calculated - - - - -	1,560	7	6
Fine paid by Mr. Walkey - - - - -	1,100	-	-

Did you attend the auctions held for granting this lease?—I did; the first was held on 21st November 1814, and I have an account of the biddings made at that time, furnished to me by the auctioneer. Mr. John Skinner appears to have been the highest bidder at 810*l.*; I bought in the estate at that time at 1,400*l.*

When was the second auction held?—In May 1818; at that time 1,000*l.* was bid, and Mr. Walkey bid 1,100*l.*, or agreed immediately after the auction to give that price for the lease, I do not know which.

When you made the survey in 1813, what was the state of repairs on the premises belonging to the charity at that time?—I found the buildings there in a very dilapidated state, but I gave notice to the tenants to repair, and since that time the repairs have been better attended to. I was appointed reeve of the manors in 1813.

Has your account been settled by the governors?—I have been paid for the survey in 1813, and this is the only account that has been yet settled.

*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

Is there a public-house belonging to the corn-market?—There is.

Is there more than one house there?—Only one.

Do you know what part of the corn-market, or of the house, belongs to St. John's Hospital?—I do not; some part of the corn-market belongs to the hospital, as appears by the old land-tax rates.

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The house and corn-market are let together, with the tolls of the leather-market and wool-market, to one tenant, who took the same by auction lately.

Do you know whether the profits of those markets and the house have been always let together?—The present tenant, Walter Way, rents the same as the late tenant, William Luckey and his father did, and I believe the whole have been for a great many years so let.

Are there any profits made by the chamber of the ground on which the corn-market stands, distinct from those of the corn-market?—There are distinct profits received by the chamber from the butchers' stalls.

16th December.—*George Westlake, Esq.*

ARE you one of the feoffees of the Hele property?—I am.

Have you usually attended the auctions held for leasing the property at Clist St. Lawrence and Clist Gerrard?—I usually have.

Did you attend the auctions for leasing Clap Mills?—I did.

Are you satisfied with the price obtained for the lease of that property?—I am quite satisfied that it was the utmost price that could be procured for it, although it fell short of Mr. Powning's valuation. Two or three auctions were held for it.

Do you know the cottages and orchard, Nos. 18 and 19 in the rental (A.)?—I know that attempts have been made to lease them without success. I think it most advisable to let Mr. Walkey's labourer hold them for the present.

18th December.—*William Luckey.*

DID you rent the corn-market of the corporation of Exeter?—I did. My father rented it before me, and my mother after my father's death. I was born in the house, and quitted it about two years ago. I am about 58 years of age; my father rented it more than 60 years ago, as I have understood.

Is there a public-house let with the market?—There is. It has no sign, it is usually called the corn-market.

Do you know whether any part of the corn-market belongs to St. John's Hospital?—I always paid the poors' rate for what I held to the parish of St. Olave, partly for the "corn-market," and partly for the "hospital lands." The poors' rate was allowed me in the payment of my rent to the chamber.

[Witness produces a poors' rate for St. Olave's parish for 1816, in which are the following entries:

	Yearly Payment.		
	£.	s.	d.
Luckey, for corn-market	6	10	—
Ditto, hospital land	1	12	6

What did your holding consist of?—The public-house and the tolls of the corn-market, and of the wool and leather-markets; the wool and leather-markets used to be held in another place. The leather-market was removed to the corn-market about 30 years ago; the wool-market was removed there less than 20 years ago.

Did you pay an entire rent to the chamber for the whole?—I paid 40*l.* 11*s.* a year for the whole. My father paid 29*l.* for the corn-market before the wool-market was brought there; afterwards he paid 11*l.* 11*s.* more; no addition was made to the rent when the leather-market was brought there. I paid the same rent of 40*l.* 11*s.* till Michaelmas 1818, when an auction was held for it, and the whole was let to Walter Way, at, I think, 92*l.* a year; but I understand that the rent has been since reduced.

What space does the corn-market occupy?—It occupies a square in front of the public-house, the country butchers' stalls are on the different sides of this square, which I did not rent. On Friday, the day on which the corn-market is held, the butchers do not come there, and the whole space of the square is used for the corn-market. There are lofts over the butchers' stalls, which are used for the leather and wool-markets, and for the grass-seed market in the season.

In what parishes is the corn-market situate?—The house and part of the corn-market is in the parish of St. Olave, the residue of it is partly in the parish of St. George, and partly in the parish of St. Mary Arches.

Did you receive the tolls of these markets?—I did. The oat-market was included in my holding, which is held in the Swan-yard, in the parish of Allhallows, at some distance from the corn-market.

What description of house is it that you hold with the market?—The ground floor consisted of the butchers' stalls; I had two stories over them, making in the whole a small house; there was a brew-house and cellar under ground.

What do you consider the value of the house, distinct from the tolls of the market?—It was rated at 10*l.* a year to the house-tax, as long as I can remember, till seven or eight years since, when it was rated at 20*l.* a year; and in 1817, when I was one of the assessors, it was reduced, with the approbation of the commissioners, to 15*l.* a year; I do not know at what sum it is now rated, I think it may be worth about 15*l.* a year, to rent distinct from the profits of the market. The poors' rate in the parish of St. Olave is not calculated upon a pound rate, but by weekly payments. The poors' rate for the corn-market, payable to St. Olave's, was lowered before I quitted it, but I do not recollect how much.

Can you give any further information as to what part of the land of the corn-market belongs to the hospital?—I cannot.

Were the butchers' stalls, and the lofts over them, always in the same place, within your recollection?—They were.

Did you pay any other parish rates for the market, except to the parish of St. Olave?—I did not. The other rates were paid by the receiver of the corporation.

How much of the land on which the market stands is in the parish of St. Olave?—About half the space on which the market stands is in that parish; I have walked the boundaries of the parish, and know them well.

19th December.—*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

Do you know how many free boys there are now in the grammar school?—There are now only two, but the master undertakes to teach as many sons of freemen as the governors choose to send. We consider that the sons of freemen only are entitled to this privilege; these boys are appointed by the governors, and an entry of the appointment is made in the minute book, and a copy of the entry is sent to the master. I apprehend, that as the master's charge for the tuition of boys is restricted to 6*l.* 6*s.* a year, many parents had rather pay that sum, than apply for the privilege of tuition for their children gratis.

It appears, that by an adjustment of accounts in 1693, there was a balance due from the corporation to the hospital of 1,300*l.* for which a bond was directed to be given. Do you know anything of the existence of such a bond?—I have never seen any such bond.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

CAN you give any information concerning this bond?—I cannot.

*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

THERE appears to have been in the year 1720, and for several subsequent years, a charge of interest due from the chamber to the hospital on 250*l.* of Walker's and Dowrich's money; can you give any information as to this?—I am not able to give any information concerning it.

[*Note.*—It appears by an entry in the steward's accounts from 1734 to 1735, that 150*l.* was paid that year by the receiver of the chamber to the hospital; and 12*l.* 10*s.* appears to have been received the same year for one year's interest on Walker's and Dowrich's money.]

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

HAVE you been able to discover any accounts of the hospital prior to 1719?—I have found the steward's accounts from 1638 to 1688. I have not been able to discover the accounts between 1688 and 1719.

[*Note.*—The accounts from 1638 to 1688 were produced.]

Are you prepared to give us any information with respect to Duryard Mills?—The chamber having come to a resolution, that that property is their own, subject to the rent-charge of 30*l.* a year, I have great hesitation in stating my sentiments on the subject, until the chamber shall have been again consulted.

*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

WHAT is your opinion as to the mode of leasing property in the city of Exeter, for years determinable on lives?—I think it depends upon the situation of houses in Exeter, whether it be most desirable to let them at rack-rent or on leases for lives; in many parts of Exeter it would be difficult to let houses at rack-rent to any advantage, and the state of repair of the houses must be taken into consideration, for old buildings can hardly be let at rack-rent, so as to produce any clear profit after the repairs are paid for.

There appears to have been a sum of 2,724*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* received for the sale of timber in 1808; and an entry in the Act Book on 7th November in that year states, that about 2,000*l.* received by the sale of timber, had been advanced by the steward, in payment of debts of the chamber, with the consent of the trustees; and that it was therefore resolved, that a bond should be demanded of the chamber for that sum at four per cent. Was such a bond given?—No such bond was given that I know of; upon making out an account lately between the chamber and the hospital, it does not appear to us that the chamber was then in debt to the hospital to that amount.

Besides the timber cut in 1808, there appears to have been some timber cut from Bovey, and brought to account in 1804; has any other timber been cut from the charity lands?—I believe no other timber has been cut; the timber on Teigharvey has been surveyed (I believe), but I do not recollect that any has been cut from that manor.

There appears to have been a dispute with some of the tenants of Clist St. Lawrence, in 1807, and a prosecution of some of them. What was the ground of that dispute?—Some of the tenants had cut down timber on the lands without its being delivered to them, and actions were brought against them; I do not know the result of those suits, but they were settled without going to trial.

Was not some timber cut from the field near Longbrooke-street, under Northernhay, when the lease for lives was granted to Ford?—There was some timber cut down, in order to convert the field into a nursery. I think that lease, under the circumstances I before stated, was proper, although in general I am averse to leases for lives, of land where there are no buildings.

Is there any timber on the land in the parish of St. Sidwell?—I cannot state.

An account appears to have been made up in 1804, between the chamber and the hospital, which was ordered to be entered in the book. Is that account in existence?—I find a rough account made up from 1776 to 1799.

[*Note.*—This account was produced.]

There were legacies by Benjamin Gilberd in 1792, of 50*l.*, and by James Green in 1809, of 50*l.* to the hospital. Were these legacies given for the general purposes of the hospital?—I apprehend they were.

Have any considerable repairs been lately done to the grammar school-house?—These repairs are very heavy, something considerable has been expended thereon lately.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

THERE appears in the account of 1818, a payment of 159*l.* for repairs; what were those repairs?—They were repairs done to the grammar school-house, when Dr. Lempriere was elected master, but which were not paid for until that time.

In the same year, the taxes paid to the parish of St. David's appear to be particularly large, amounting to 39*l.* 14*s.* 5½*d.* What occasioned this extraordinary charge?—It was the assessment towards the expense of rebuilding the church of that parish.

There are some charges in the accounts for coals. What are they?—They are for coals allowed to the master of the Blue School.

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There is a charge of interest in the account of 1811 to 1812, paid to the late steward on a balance due. Was it usual to pay interest on the balances?—It has not been usual; I am not aware of any other similar instance.

Are payments constantly made, in respect of Hele's gift, to a schoolmaster of Moreton-Hampstead, and to the lecturers at Oxford?—Regularly.

How is the schoolmaster at Moreton-Hampstead appointed?—He is appointed by the governors of the hospital, but they have had recommendations from the minister and principal inhabitants of Moreton-Hampstead.

20th December.—*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

In your search for papers belonging to the hospital, have you found any bonds or mortgages from the chamber to the hospital?—I have not.

What chief rents are there payable out of the property of the charity?—There is a chief rent of 3*s.* 7*d.* a year paid to His Majesty, for the manor of Teignharvey; and 8*s.* a year, payable to Mr. Chichester and Mr. Cove, for part of the hospital lands; and also a chief rent of 5*s.* 4*d.* a year, payable to the lord of the manor of Newton Ferrers, which is deducted from the tenant's rent.

By whom are the heriots received that are payable on the falling of lives, on which leases are held of parts of the manors of Clist Lawrence and Clist Gerrard, and the other property conveyed to the charity by Sir John Maynard?—The steward receives the heriots. Where there is an option of the best beast, or a specified sum of money, the money is always taken; there was a resolution, that in these cases, the best beast or the value of it, should be received; but that has not been acted upon.

Do you believe that all the heriots received have been brought into the accounts?—I believe that they have been always accounted for.

Are any heriots payable by the Exeter property?—None.

Can you state in what way the separate account of the Maynard property, which appears to have been kept up in 1813, was made out?—It used to be made out by taking a settled proportion of expenses of the hospital, according to a memorandum which I found at the bottom of an old account.

[*Note.*—According to this memorandum, the charge is to be, for all the boys in the school on this charity, something beyond a moiety of the master's casual bill, and of the writing-master's and town-clerk's allowance. The whole expense at Broadclist, serjeant's expenses, &c. something beyond the moiety of all the tradesmen's bills for work done within the gates of the hospital, and 10*l.* for each boy bound out on this charity; a proportion of it the year he is bound out, and the residue in the following year. The reason given for charging more than the moiety is, because the boys on this charity were 18 in number; the other boys only 13.]

During the time that you have been acquainted with the accounts, have any copies of accounts been sent to the heirs of Sir John Maynard?—I do not think that any copies have been sent for the last 12 or 14 years. I discontinued, in 1813, the making out a separate account, because the account of the Hele property was so intermixed with that of the other property of the hospital, that it was impossible to make out a distinct account fairly between the two branches of the charity.

Is a register of the boys kept, showing those who are on the different foundations?

[Witness produced the register, containing the names of 21 boys; viz. 11 on Sir John Maynard's foundation, of which three were recommended by the heirs of Sir John Maynard, and 10 on the old foundation, of which two were appointed in consideration of Keate's gift, two of Gandy's gift, and one of Newcombe's gift.]

By whom are the boys under Gandy's gift nominated?—They are nominated by the parish officers of St. Paul.

How are the boys under Keate's gift appointed?—They are recommended to the governors by the minister and parish officers of St. Mary Major, and appointed by the governors.

It appears, in the hospital accounts, that the sum of 8*l.* 19*s.* is charged for insurance of premises belonging to the hospital, amongst which is mentioned "The Corn Market;" for what part of the corn-market is this insurance paid?—By reference to the policies of insurance which I produce, it appears that the sum of 8*l.* 19*s.* is paid for the insurance of the houses of Newcombe's charity, the grammar schoolmaster's house, the hospital itself, and the cottage on Duryard Mill tenement. I also produce a separate policy of insurance of "a range of buildings called the Corn Market, consisting of the dwelling-house, lofts and offices." The insurance is for 300*l.*, and the premium of 18*s.* is paid by the chamber. The insurance, therefore, for the corn-market is improperly stated in the hospital accounts to be included in the sum of 8*l.* 19*s.* The insurance was removed from the Phoenix Fire-office to that of the West of England a few years back. Previously, I apprehend that the insurance of the corn-market was paid by the hospital, and this has caused the mistake in the accounts.

What is the reduced rent of the corn-market, &c. now paid by the tenants?—£. 80.

Have you been able to find the accounts from 1688 to 1719?—I have searched among the papers at the hospital and cannot find them.

In the accounts lately made out, between the hospital and the chamber, there are various sums charged, amounting to 1,101*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.*, which are said to be omitted to be charged to the hospital account from the year 1770 to 1809; what are those charges for?—These sums are included in tradesmen's bills paid by the chamber, which ought to have been charged to the hospital, being for repairs done for the latter; but the same being mixed with the charges for work belonging to the chamber, have been paid for by the chamber, and omitted to be charged to the hospital accounts. I have myself examined the tradesmen's bills from which these sums are extracted, and I believe the amount to be correct, and that the sums now claimed to be introduced with the accounts do belong to the expenditure of the hospital.

Have you also examined the hospital vouchers, to ascertain whether any items in the tradesmen's bills, paid by the hospital, have been improperly paid, being for work done for the chamber?—I have not; but I do not think it probable that any such articles would be found in the hospital vouchers. The reason why the charges, which ought to have been carried to the hospital account, have been entered in the general account is, that the tradesmen were employed generally to work for the chamber, and made their charges in the same bills for the work done for the hospital and for the chamber generally; it being unimportant to them from what fund they were paid, and the offices of

receiver-general and steward of the hospital being held by the same person, the whole was, in the instances above mentioned, improperly entered to the receiver's account. In the accounts now made out, between the chamber and the hospital, credit is given to the hospital for a sum of 372 *l.* 2 *s.* for making a common sewer in 1776, about the time that the grammar schoolmaster's house was built, which it is thought ought to have been charged to the chamber, and not to the hospital.

15th February 1821.—*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

HAVE you made search for the accounts of the hospital from the year 1688 to 1719?—I have, but have not been able to find them.

Are the accounts of the receiver-general of the chamber existing for that period?—I have searched and cannot find them.

Do you know whether the minute book of the chamber contains any entry tending to show the re-payment, from the chamber to the hospital, of the sum of 1,300 *l.*, which appears to have been due on bond in 1692, or to the payment of any interest thereon?—I have not found any such entry.

Of what does the tenement called Duryard Mill tenement consist?—Of two small farms, one consisting of 16  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land, let to William Mugford at 40 *l.* a year. No lease has been granted to him since the expiration of a lease in 1818, but it is understood that he is to have it for seven years from that time. This rent was at that time reduced from 50 *l.*, in consequence of the depreciation of the value of land. The other consists of a cottage and 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land, and was let in 1818 to John Clark, who is since dead, at 40 *l.* a year, and Francis Cross, esq. has undertaken since his death, to be answerable for the rent, and I understand manages the farm for the benefit of Clark's widow and child.

What are become of the mills?—The mills were formerly held by William Gray, on a lease for 99 years, determinable on lives, at a reserved rent of seven guineas. About the year 1815, the chamber, conceiving the hospital was entitled to no more than an annuity of 30 *l.* a year out of the Duryard Mill estate, and that the residue of it was fully sufficient to answer that annuity, sold the premises which were contained in the lease, then held by Mr. Gray, to him, for a term of 1,000 years, reserving a nominal rent. The consideration paid by Mr. Gray was 285 *l.*, and was carried to the account of the chamber. A part of the land which had been let to Clark, consisting of 3 *a.* and 3 *p.* of land, in a close called Duryard Mill Marsh, was let in 1810, by the governors of the hospital, to the Exeter and Crediton Canal Company, for 14 years, at the yearly rent of 6 *l.* This canal was commenced, and the part contained in this lease was cut through. The canal has not been completed. The rent of 6 *l.* was paid up to Michaelmas 1819, when the lease was surrendered; and at the last payment of rent, 18 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* appears in the accounts to have been received of the company, for the injury done to the field by cutting the canal, as estimated by Mr. Gray and Mr. Coleridge, surveyors, when the lease was surrendered. Since the land was taken from Clark, to be leased to the company, an allowance of 5 *l.* a year has been made to him. This land, in its present state (the canal being cut through it), is totally useless, but it may be restored at some expense.

A small portion of the property given by Walter Borough, being No. 6 in the rental (B.), appears to have been let in 1753 for 99 years absolute; can you account for its being let for so long a term?—I cannot.

Have you found, in the documents belonging to the chamber, any entry tending to throw light upon the transaction respecting the corn-market?—Yes, some old entries, a copy of which I will furnish.

[*Note.*—These entries are noticed in the Report.]

Do you know where the cloth fairs were held before the year 1779?—At the New Inn, on property then held by the chamber of the dean and chapter. I suppose that when the new grammar schoolmaster's house was built, it was thought an advantageous mode of disposing of the part of the hospital not then wanted.

*Charles Collins, Esq.*

Do the boundaries stated in the deed, relating to Richard Crossing's gift in 1661, appear to you to be the boundaries of the whole of the present corn-market, or only of that part of it which is in the parish of St. Olave?—I conceive the boundaries there stated to be the whole of the present corn-market.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

WHAT is the mode of ordering repairs of St. John's Hospital and the grammar schoolmaster's house?—When any considerable repairs are necessary, application is made to the steward, who directs the surveyor of the hospital (Mr. Powning) to make an estimate of what is wanted. That estimate is laid before the governors of the hospital and considered, and the orders are given by them.

Is Mr. Powning employed as a surveyor by the chamber?—He is employed by them as governors of St. John's Hospital, but not for the lands of the chamber.

16th February.—*Mr. John Powning.*

HAVE you, since you were last examined, made a general survey of the property of St. John's Hospital at Exeter?—I have, and I have altered the description in the rental, according to the present state of the premises. I took the leases with me, and compared the plans on the leases with the sites of the different premises.

In estimating the value of the house in Paris-street, lately used as the bridewell, have you taken the value according to the present state of the premises, which are out of repair?—I have.

What do you think those premises would be worth if in good repair?—I think they would not clear more than 10 *l.* a year. The garden is very narrow.

Are there any rooms over the shop and sitting-room part of the premises, comprised in No. 14, in rental (B.)?—There are rooms over both of them, which are claimed by the owners of the adjoining house, Miss Tucker's.

[*Note.*—The description in the last lease, in No. 14, in 1794, is "A Dwelling-house, Shop, Court-lage and Stable." In the plan annexed to the lease, the shop is represented as fronting the High-street, and the dwelling-house behind.]

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Have you seen the premises at Colyton, No. 25, in Rental (B.)?—I have not seen them.

Have you seen the premises at Lyme, No. 26, in Rental (B.)?—I have, but it is full six years since, when the negotiation commenced for the present lease.

In estimating the value of the field in Longbrooke-street, now converted into a nursery, have you taken into consideration the expenses which the lessee has incurred in converting it into a nursery?—I have. The lessee has been at considerable expense.

Are you acquainted with the Duryard-mill tenement?—I am not.

What should you consider a fair rent for the ground on which the grammar schoolmaster's house and premisses stand, not being part of the hospital?—The frontage is 91 feet 6 inches, and the depth 248 feet; it is the best situation in Exeter for building, and I think it worth, if to be let at this time, considerably more than 25 *l.* per annum.

Have any steps been taken as to letting the cottages at Clist St. Lawrence, stated to be in hand, belonging to Hele's gift?—I have given notice to Mr. Baker, who was the lessee of No. 8, in Rental (A.) to repair the cottage; and I have also given him notice, that he is to pay a fair annual rent since the last life dropt. We have endeavoured to let Nos. 18 and 19 for lives, but have not been able to obtain a sufficient offer for them. Mr. Walkey has done some repairs to No. 18, which I am to allow him, and he is to pay a rent for the time his labourer occupies it.

What is the present state of the timber on the estates belonging to Hele's gift?—At Clist St. Lawrence, Clist Gerrard, and Bovey, there is not more timber than is sufficient for the repairs. At Teignharvey there is some timber fit for cutting. All the tenants are allowed rough timber for repairs, which I deliver out to them. The timber on Teignharvey is numerically marked. Ever since I was appointed reeve of these manors, I have retained the bark of the timber delivered for repairs, and have sold it, and have accounted for the sale, as will appear by my accounts.

We find, in the year 1817, a payment of 170 *l.* to you on account, what was that for?—That was a bill for carpenter's and joiner's work done at the school-house and the hospital seven or eight years before, which was then only settled.

A further sum of 188 *l.* 12 *s.* appears in the accounts of 1820, as paid to you in full to September 1818; was this sum paid on the same account?—It was.

In the same accounts for 1820, a sum of 40 *l.* appears to have been paid to you on account; on what account was this sum paid?—This was also on account of the master's house and hospital since 1818.

What is the present state of the accounts between you and the hospital?—Since the account was settled to 1818, I have delivered two accounts, one of about 214 *l.* and the other of about 173 *l.* to the stewards in 1819 and 1820. The 40 *l.* paid on account will go in part of these bills. I have also received from 1810, when I was appointed reeve of the Hele estates, the produce of the sales of bark of the trees delivered to the tenants for repairs, of which bark I produce an account. Previous to my appointment, the bark was delivered to the tenants with the timber for repairs. The amount thus received by me is 329 *l.* 0 *s.* 11½ *d.*, including a sum of 2 *l.* 9 *s.* 4 *d.*, and another sum of 2 *l.* paid by tenants for having improperly cut down trees, without my directions or consent. From this sum is deducted some expense of ripping bark in 1812, amounting to 3 *l.* 17 *s.*; and under Mr. Collyns's direction, as one of the feoffees, I have also deducted 89 *l.* 7 *s.* 0½ *d.*, being one quarter of my bill (which I also produce) for attendance in surveying repairs and delivering timber for the Hele estates, from Jan. 1810 to Sept. 1820. The amount of this bill is 357 *l.* 8 *s.* 2 *d.*, of which 175 *l.* 7 *s.* 2 *d.* is for journeys, delivering timber, making surveys and valuations, holding auctions, &c.; and 182 *l.* 1 *s.* for money paid to workmen for felling pollards, sawing and fixing rails for fir trees and planting, expenses of auctions for letting the lands, advertising, labour in attending to the care of estates when in hand, insurance and taxes at that time, &c. The other three-fourths of this bill have also been paid to me by the town-clerk, by Mr. Collyns's directions. I understand that these three-fourths have been paid out of the fines. After giving credit for the residue of the bark account, which, with the above-mentioned deductions, is 235 *l.* 16 *s.* 4 *d.*, and for the 40 *l.* paid on account, there will remain due to me about 112 *l.* to Michaelmas 1820. Since Michaelmas, more work has been done to the hospital, to the amount of about 70 *l.* which will form part of the present year's account.

Can you state how much of the account since 1818, arises from work done to the grammar schoolmaster's house?—I think about 150 *l.* On examination, many parts of the timbers were found defective, and in need of being replaced, and a new roof has been put to the dining-hall.

What is the present state of the hospital and of the master's house?—They are now in good repair. The expense of repairs will be much less for many years than it has been of late. A considerable expense was incurred by an alteration in the roof of the hospital, made necessary by the decay of a sky-light over the grammar-school.

Does your bill include the account of masons and other workmen besides carpenters?—It does not; all those bills pass through my hands; I act under the direction of the stewards, and examine the bills. I have made no charge for this.

Have you planted trees on any of the lands?—I have made a plantation on the Tow-hill estate, in the manor of Clist Gerrard.

How long was the estate of Clapp Mills in hand, in consequence of a tenant not having been found?—We had both Summer Bridge and Clapp Mills in hand, I think, nearly a year. The former tenants had the crops growing, and no other profit was made. The estate, called Wise Parks, was also a year without being let, but the former tenant remained in possession, and paid 108 *l.* as a year's rent for it, for which I accounted to the steward of the hospital.

[This sum is entered in the accounts as received in 1818.]

How frequently do you go to Clist Gerrard, and the other manors and estates of Hele's gift?—I go there upon applications being made for timber by the tenants for repairs, either to myself or the feoffees. I charge one guinea for each journey to Clist, and two guineas for each journey to Bovey. I usually have the directions of the feoffees for each journey, but I cannot say it has been so in every instance; if I have not had their directions, I have always informed them on my return that I have been there.



*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

HAVE the feoffees of Hele's gift possession of the tenement called Rostbridge, which was conveyed by Sir John Maynard and Elize Stiert's deed of 1658, and was to be settled for a schoolmaster at Totnes?—They have not; it is not included in the trust deeds.

17th February.—*Charles Collins, Esq.*

WHAT is your opinion of the value of the land on which the grammar schoolmaster's house and premises stand?—I think that if the house had not been built, and the land were now to be let on building lease, it would produce the chamber as much as 40*l.* a year; at the time the house was built, 25*l.* a year might be the fair value of it.

Can you give any information as to the premises near the hospital, of which the upper rooms are claimed by individuals, and the lower belong to the hospital?—I know nothing of this; but I know of an instance in Exeter, where I have a cellar under property belonging to the chamber. In another instance, I have a passage leading exclusively to my premises, where the rooms over the passage belong to another person.

20th February.—*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

IN the statement of the accounts between the chamber and the hospital, a conventionary rent of 2*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* is charged from 1775 to 1798 inclusive (being 24 years), for the ground on which the master's house was built; and from 1798 to 1820, rent for twenty-two years is charged for the same, at 25*l.* a year. Can you explain this?—In a rough account, which appears to have been made out in 1799, between the chamber and the hospital, part of which account is in my father's hand-writing, and part in the hand-writing of Mr. Hart, then a member of the chamber, the conventionary rent of 2*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* which I suppose to be the same as had been paid by the former tenants to the chamber previously to their interest being purchased, was charged to 1798. In the account now made out, no alteration has been made up to that time; but from that time to the present the chamber consider themselves entitled to charge to the hospital a rent of 25*l.* as the annual value of the land.

To whom was the lease of that part of Duryard-mill tenement for 99 years, determinable on lives, which was held by Gray before he purchased the same, granted?—To John Wotton Bennett. It was granted in 1796, in consideration of a fine of 10*l.* 10*s.* which was carried to the hospital account.

What is the reason that the rent of the parts of the hospital, used as the cloth-hall, is calculated at 26*l.* to 1814, and from that time to 1820 at 18*l.* a year?—The committee-room, which had been used for the cloth fairs till 1814, has not been used for that purpose since that time.

Do you know when the rent of 26*l.* for the cloth-hall, &c. was first paid?—It appears from the accounts to have been paid from Michaelmas 1779; the large room under the grammar school had been previously let to Mr. Pearce at 6*l.* a year, and some of the rooms taken for the cloth fairs had been reuted by Mr. Marshall at 5*l.* a year.

Have you been long in the habit of attending the Broadlist courts, and do you recollect at any time when there were fewer members of the chamber who attended them than of late years?—I have been in the habit of attending them many years; I recollect in one year (1803) only the steward and myself went out to attend the courts and receive the rents.

*Mr. John Youd.*

DID you take a grant of some premises in Paris-street for 1,000 years from the chamber of Exeter?—I did, and paid 84*l.* to the receiver for it.

Were you in possession of the same premises previously to that time?—I was; I purchased a lease of them for 99 years, determinable on three lives, for 120*l.* I think, about ten years before, of Mr. Joseph Gattey. There were then three lives existing upon the lease.

Are you now in possession of these premises?—I am not; I sold them about two years and a half ago, to Thomas Wood, for 298*l.*

Did you lay out any money in the improvement of the premises while you had them?—I laid out as much as 100*l.* about them.

Did you reside there?—I did; they are now let to Benjamin Battin at 20*l.* a year, the tenant paying all rates and taxes except land-tax, and the landlord doing the repairs; I let them to him on a lease for seven years before I sold them. I think the rent now too high; I think 15*l.* a year would be a sufficient rent for them. I do not think the premises worth now more than 250*l.*, they are very small, and have no outlet behind.

Did you know, at the time you purchased the premises, that they belonged to St. John's hospital?—I did not; I have since heard that they did; I am not sure whether it was mentioned in the writings that they belonged to the hospital.

[*Note.*—The lease to Mr. Gattey and that to Mr. Youd were afterwards produced; they are both granted by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, without reference to the hospital, and contain covenants for quiet enjoyment, from the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty.]

What do you think is the present yearly value of the old bridewell, adjoining the house you bought?—I think that, with the garden, it would be worth 14*l.* a year, at a rack-rent, the landlord doing the repairs, and the tenant paying the rates. It is much out of repair, but there is a useful garden. The bridewell, and the house I had, would let advantageously on a building and repairing lease. The house that I had takes up half the frontage, which would injure the letting of the rest of the premises.

28th February.

28th February.—Rev. *Charles Henry Collyns*,<sup>1</sup> Head Master of the Grammar School.

How many boys have you on the foundation in the grammar school?—Two. There were none in the school when I was appointed at Christmas in 1818.

How many day boys are there now at six guineas a year?—About 60.

What is the profit made by you of the seats in the chapel?—About 17*l.* or 18*l.* a year.

1st March.—Mr. *Richard Pickett*.

How long have you been master of the Blue School in St. John's hospital?—Nearly nine years.

Has the allowance for each boy been 16*l.* a year since you have been master?—The allowance was at first 12*l.* 12*s.* for each, but I found after two or three years, that it was impossible to go on at that rate. As a compensation for the money I had sunk, 50*l.* was given me by the governors, and the allowance was raised to 16*l.* for each boy; I also received 10*l.* 10*s.* at the same time, in consequence of a regulation, that the boys should have new clothes once a year; previously, there was no stated time for furnishing the clothes, and they had them only when the old ones were worn out.

Do the boys receive their regular meals?—They receive three meals a day, except on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, or Sundays, on which days the Exeter boys are allowed to go home to their parents, and on those days they have no supper at the hospital, and I suppose it is furnished to them by their parents. The boys who are not of Exeter, remain at school on those days, and have their meals.

Is that a new regulation?—It has existed ever since I have had the school, and in the time of the master who preceded me, for 23 years; the preceding master informed me that this was the practice, and I have always acted upon it; if it was not for this privilege, I could not maintain the boys at the present price.

How many Blue boys have you now?—I have now 21. Last year I had for part of the year 22. I have had as few as 16 boys part of one year.

Have you other scholars?—I have a day-school of about 50 scholars; they are all taught in the same room with the Blue boys, and in the same manner. My son assists me in instructing the boys. There is sufficient room for all the scholars.

How many Blue boys have you now, who are not of Exeter, in the school?—Three. One of London, one of Starcross, and one of Exwick.

When the boys leave the school, do they take their clothes with them?—They do not. The clothes are left with me. This regulation has existed ever since I have been at the school, and I believe before.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

WERE you aware of the practice spoken of by the schoolmaster, as to the Blue boys' meals?—I was aware that it existed to some extent, but I supposed the boys were considered to be entitled to their meals, if they remained at the school instead of going to their parents. I apprehend that the allowance of 16*l.* a year for each boy was made by the governors, on the calculation of the boys having three meals a day.

At what age are the boys admitted into the Blue school?—They are admitted from seven to ten years of age, and are allowed to stay till fourteen.

## RENTAL (A.)

LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.	CONTENTS.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Date of the Leases.	FINE paid for last Renewal.	RESERVED RENT.	HERIOT.	Gross Yearly Value, without deducting Taxes or Repairs, taken from a Survey made in 1813.	REMARKS.
1	MANOR OF CLIST ST. LAWRENCE: Robert Baker -	May 1, 1787 -	A. R. P. 19 1 28	Aaron M. Ashford 8	£. s. d. 22 10 -	£. s. d. 3 15 -	£. s. d. best beast or 4 - -	73 10 -	
2	Robert Baker -	May 1, 1787, one life added and one ex- changed -	37 2 -	Mark Ashford - 13 A. M. Ashford - 8	135 - -	12 10 -	best beast or 2 13 8	170 - -	
3	Robert Baker -	March 10, 1780 -	34 - 10	William Ashford - 19 Alice Baker, wife } of Robert Baker } 26	45 - -	8 - -	5 - -	130 - -	
4	Robert Baker -	May 1, 1787 -	35 2 6	John Ashford, jun. 8 Mark Ashford - 13	46 10 -	7 15 -	best beast or 5 6 8	110 - -	
5	Robert Baker -	Sept. 2, 1774, and reversionary lease, da- ted April 21, 1802 -	37 3 30	Robert Talley - 14 Robert Baker, jun. 12	60 - -	7 - -	best beast or 4 - -	105 - -	-- After the death of Robt. Talley, reserved rent 10l.
6	Robert Baker -	March 10, 1780 -	43 2 42	Alice Baker - 26	30 - -	5 5 -	4 5 -	105 - -	
7	Robert Baker -	Sept. 2, 1774, and reversionary lease, da- ted April 21, 1802 -	54 1 19	Aaron Moore - 15 Robert Baker, jun. 12	90 - -	10 10 -	best beast or 5 - -	160 - -	-- After the death of Aaron Moore, rent 15l.
8	In hand -	- - -	1 - -	The lives fell lately -	- - -	under the determined lease - -	- - -	5 5 -	
9	Finney Belfield, now R <sup>d</sup> Pratt -	March 3, 1780 -	29 - -	Richard Pratt, jun. 18	43 - - and a surrender	5 5 -	best beast or 5 - -	80 - -	
10	Ditto -	March 3, 1780 -	31 2 -	Same life -	53 - - and a surrender	6 10 -	best beast or 3 6 8	90 - -	
11	Ditto -	March 3, 1780 -	5 - -	Same life -	9 - - and a surrender	1 - -	- 6 -	17 10 -	

12	Charles Copp, now Henry Copp -	Birry -	February 10, 1775 -	39	1 -	Charles Copp - 18	84 -	6 5 -	best beast or 4 -	120 -	-
13	Rev. Ch <sup>s</sup> Elliott Walkey -	A cot in Lawrence Clist town -	May 27, 1819, from March 25, 1817 -	-	- 12	Charles C. Walkey 14 Samuel C. Walkey 10 Harriet Mary Collyns Walkey - 6	5 5 -	1 -	-	4 4 -	-
14	Wm. Bower, now Wm. Hewett -	A cot in Lawrence Clist town -	January 16, 1781 -	-	- 5	Edward Bower - 35 William Bower - 13	5 5 - and a surrender	- 7 6 -	-	2 10 -	-
15	Francis Richards -	Leggars and Well Park -	- Dec. 2, 1785, and a reversionary lease, dated June 17, 1806, for one life -	36	2 26	Francis, son of lessee - 11 Sarah Blackmore 25	80 -	6 10 -	best beast or 4 -	116 10 -	- After the death of Francis Richards, jun. rent 15 l.
16	William Godfrey, now his widow -	Late Ford's -	May 9, 1799 -	6	1 17	Ann Pratt - 36 John Weeks - 18	24 -	1 10 -	best beast or 3 -	25 -	-
17	Ambrose Proctor -	Shewrays -	August 28, 1806 -	29	3 4	Elizabeth Pidley 14 Thos. Porter, jun. 16 William Porter - 11	130 - and a surrender	7 -	best beast or 3 -	70 -	-
18	In hand -	Small Green cot -	-	-	3 30	Last life dropped in May 1817 -	-	- 16 - under the de- terminated lease	-	7 10 -	-
19	In hand -	Clapp's orchard -	-	-	1 28	Last life dropped in May 1817 -	-	- 4 - under the de- terminated lease	-	2 2 -	-
20	William Godfrey, now his widow -	Late Eveleigh's -	May 9, 1799 -	34	1 4	Francis Weeks - 13	40 -	6 -	best beast or 5 -	96 -	-
21	Ditto -	Late Spurway's -	May 9, 1799 -	29	- 13	Ann Pratt - 36 John Weeks - 18	105 - and a surrender	7 10 -	best beast or 2 13 4	98 -	-
22	Ditto -	- The courtlages and Holloway, part of Everlands -	May 9, 1799 -	4	1 12	James Weeks - 20 John Weeks - 18	22 - and a surrender	1 12 6 -	- 10 -	22 -	-
23	Ditto -	Late Francis Godfrey's -	May 9, 1769 -	6	3 11	Ann Pratt - 36	20 -	2 10 -	best beast or 3 -	32 10 -	-
24	Ditto -	Townham Meadow -	May 9, 1799 -	1	- 37	John Weeks, jun. 18	10 -	1 10 -	- 6 8	13 -	-
25	Ditto -	Little Townham meadow and an orchard -	May 9, 1799 -	1	- 37	James Weeks - 20 John Weeks, jun. 18	7 - and a surrender	- 10 -	-	7 10 -	-
26	Ditto -	Part of Everlands -	May 9, 1799 -	13	1 31	Ann Pratt - 38 John Weeks, jun. 18	50 -	3 10 -	1 10 -	43 10 -	-

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## RENTAL (A.)—continued.

No.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.	CONTENTS.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Dates of the Leases.	FINE paid for last Renewal.	RESERVED RENT.	HERIOT.	Gross Yearly Value, without deducting Taxes or Repairs, taken from a Survey made in 1813.	REMARKS.
MANOR OF OLIST ST. LAWRENCE—continued.										
27	Thomas Hitt	-- Late Long's, at Upton. The whole, ex- cept two closes called the Town Closes, grant- ed to William God- frey as under --	February 9, 1799	A. R. P. 24 -- --	James Hitt - 20 Thomas Hitt - 18 sons of lessee.	84 -- --	4 -- --	best beast or 2 13 4	84 -- --	
27	William Godfrey, now his widow	-- The Town Closes, part of late Long's, under the lease of 1752, May 28, grant- ed to Gilbert Hitt --	May 9, 1799	7 -- 9	John Weeks, jun. 18	32 -- --	2 -- --	best beast or 1 6 8	24 -- --	
28	William Ridler, now Thomas Hitt --	-- Moiety of the ground on which Law- rence Clist Wood lately stood, and the Woodcombes, &c. --	October 12, 1784	44 2 --	Wm. Ridler, jun. 30 Joseph Ridler, his son -- 2	238 -- --	5 5 --	best beast or 1 10 --	73 10 --	
29	William Boucher	Upton, late Baker's	January 20, 1755 September 14, 1782, June 17, 1806	57 1 18	Nicholas Harris - 27 William Boucher 26 his son -- 11	200 -- --	10 10 --	best beast or 6 -- --	156 -- --	-- After the deaths of Nicholas Harris and William Boucher, sen. rent 20 l.
30	William Hewitt	Late Hooper's	March 1, 1782 Reversionary lease March 18, 1805	16 2 2	James Rowe -- 16 Elizabeth Hewett, his daughter -- 15	24 -- --	3 2 6	2 -- --	57 18 --	-- After the death of J. Rowe, rent 4 l. and heriot best beast or 2 l.
31	William Hewitt	A cottage, late Week's	March 1, 1782 Reversionary lease March 18, 1805	2 1 25	James Rowe -- 16 Mary Hewitt, his daughter -- 12	13 -- --	1 5 --	2 -- --	15 15 --	-- After the death of James Rowe, rent 2 l.

(continued.)

32	Francis Richards {	Late Youlden's, at Upton - - -	December 2, 1785 Reversionary lease June 17, 1806 -	54 1 7 {	Francis Richards, son of lessee - 11 Sarah Blackmore 25	130 - - -	8 10 - {	best beast or 5 - - -	154 - - -	- - After the death of Francis Richards jun. rent 17 l.
33	Dorothea Baker, now Robert Baker - - -	Taylor's, late Cleak's -	January 20, 1775 -	19 3 31 {	William Arshford 10 John Arshford - 8	166 - - -	3 3 - {	best beast or 3 - - -	45 - - -	
34	The Rev. Charles Elliott Walkey {	Clapp Mill - - -	July 2, 1818 - - -	79 - 12 {	Chas. C. Walkey 14 Samuel C. Walkey 10 Harriet Mary Collins Walkey 6	1,100 - - -	28 - - - from Mid- summer 1818	8 - - -	170 - - -	
35	Humphry Baker	Summer Bridge - - -	March 24, 1819 - -	12 2 26 {	Humphry Baker - 18 Henry Baker - 11 William Baker, his son - - - 6	350 - - -	7 10 - { from Lady- day 1819	5 - - -	48 - - -	
36	John Weeks, now Francis Weeks {	Longbroom - - -	September 29, 1818	6 3 17 {	Mary, his daughter 40 Francis, his son - 33 and a surrender	35 - - -	3 10 - { from Michael- mas 1818.	best beast or 2 - - -	22 10 -	
37	Richard Bout- cher, now Mary West - - -	South Launceston -	May 1, 1795 - - -	21 3 - {	Charlotte Boutcher 7 Martha Boutcher 5 Richard Boutcher 3 children of lessee.	210 - - -	6 10 - {	best beast or 3 10 - -	78 - - -	
38	Mary West {	East Launceston and Launceston Meadow {	October 31, 1820 -	31 2 5 {	William Boutcher 24 Ann Boutcher - 22 Susan Boutcher - 20 and a surrender	350 - - -	13 15 -	5 - - -	77 10 -	
39	John Shiles, now Henry Shiles -	Kitsford's, part of Liswell's - - -	April 4, 1787 - - -	25 1 20 {	John Shiles - 16 Henry Shiles - 14	70 - - -	4 - - -	best beast or 3 6 8	56 - - -	
40	Sir Thos. Dyke Acland, bart. -	The Barton of Eveleigh	- - - - -	- - - - -	A chief rent - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	
MANOR OF CLIST GERRARD:										
41	William Skinner	Part of Wise Parks -	September 26, 1817 -	50 3 6 {	John Gater - 6 Philip K. Niner - 5 James Hugh Upcott 2	1,200 - - -	27 - - -	best beast or 10 - - -	135 - - -	
42	Richard Wish, now Thomas Wish - - -	Clist Gerrard tenement	January 13, 1781 -	34 2 9	Henry Matthews 8	43 1 - -	8 - - -	3 16 8	115 - - -	





51 460.	William Wish, now Thomas Wish - -	Wise Parks - -	January 20, 1792	13 3 13	Prudence Wish - 57 wife of lessee. Rich. Wish, jun. - 10	70 - -	3 - -	- - -	42 - -	
52	Sir Thomas Dyke Acland, Bart. - -	-- A chief rent out of a tenement called Beare - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- 6 8	- - -	- - -	
53	Richard Wish - -	-- A chief rent pay- able out of a tenement called Easton - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- 6	- - -	- - -	
MANOR OF TEIGNHARVEY:										
54	Robert Bradford, clerk - -	Barton of Teigharvey	May 15, 1805 -	179 - -	Said Robt. Bradford 37 Mary, his wife - 27 Robert, their son 5	950 - - and a surrender of one life.	45 - -	6 - -	200 - -	-- Clear yearly value, as estimated at the time of the last re- newal.
55	John Stevens - -	Four chief rents of 4s. 10d., 10d., 4d.	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- 6 -	- - -	- - -	
LANDS IN BOVEY TRACEY:										
56	John Bragg - -	Lower Brimleys, for- merly Waymouths -	January 4, 1820	52 3 -	Simon Neck - 25 John Pousford - 11 George Bragg - 31	230 - - and a surrender of one life.	15 - -	5 - -	60 - -	
57	William Taver- ner, now John French - -	-- An orchard in Brimley village, ad- joining Waymouths -	December 2, 1784	- 3 12	William Taverner 6	17 - -	- 9 -	- - -	1 16 -	
58 & 59	John Lambie - -	-- A tenement, for- merly Voyseys, in Bovey Town, with two cots in ruins -	March 10, 1780	1 2 -	Thomas Tapley - - John Lambie - 14 Elizabeth Lambie 17	15 - -	2 - -	- 10 -	8 - -	
LANDS IN NEWTON FERRERS:										
60	John Pollexfen Bastard, Esq. now Edmund Pollexfen Bas- tard, Esq. - -	Two tenements, called New House and Torr	May 15, 1799 -	26 - 28	Edmund P. Bastard 13 John Bastard - 11 Philemon Pownall Bastard - - 6 sons of Ed. Bastard.	336 - -	8 - -	- 10 -	32 - -	-- Out of this there are two chief rents amounting to 5s. 4d. payable to Mr. Young, the Lord of the Manor.
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## RENTAL (B.)

Nos.	PARISHES.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.	Contents.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Date of the Leases.	FINE paid for last Renewal.	Reserved Rent.	Clear Yearly Value, as estimated by a Surveyor in 1891.	REMARKS.
1	St. Paul's, Exeter	Humphrey Mortimer, now John Commin	-- A dwelling-house and shop, offices & court-yard, fronting to North-street -	14 Dec. 1773 10 May 1785	- -	{ Jonathan, son of William Tucker 6 Edward Tucker 11 Susanna Mortimer 10 }	£. s. d. 52 10 -	£. s. d. 2 10 -	£. s. d. 30 - -	In fair repair.
2	Ditto	- ditto -	-- A small house and shop, fronting to North-street, adjoining No. 1. -	13 Feb. 1783	-	{ Micajah Tucker 11 Humphrey Mortimer Skinner - 7 }	118 2 -	- 7 -	15 - -	- ditto.
3	Ditto	{ Humphrey Mortimer, now William Gale Chave }	A stable, now being con- verted to a dwelling-house	- ditto	-	{ John Skinner - 6 Same lives - - }	39 8 -	- 3 -	4 - -	- ditto.
4	Ditto	John Chaplin -	-- Two dwelling-houses, one of which fronts North-street, and the other Bartholomew- street - - -	19 June 1819	-	{ John Chaplin - 37 MaryAnn Chaplin 28 Eliza Chaplin - 7 }	220 - - and a surren- der of one life	4 - -	26 - -	Old houses, lately re- paired and improved.
5	Ditto	{ Joseph Gibbons, now William Kendal, John Powning, and William Cartwright }	-- A dwelling-house, court- lage and garden, fronting Bartholomew-street -	11 June 1782 18 Sept. 1798	- -	{ Joshua Hickman Stabback - 14 Edward Back - 12 William Gibbons 24 }	52 10 - 21 - -	- 7 -	6 12 -	Old houses, in tenant- able repair.
6	Ditto	- ditto -	-- A little stable, and com- mon use of a passage at the Fleece back door, adjoining to Gibbons's, No. 5. -	-- 27 Sept. 1753 for 99 years ab- solute, from Michaelmas 1753	No fine	- - - -	No fine -	2 - -	3 8 -	- ditto.
7	Ditto	- ditto -	-- A dwelling-house, divid- ed into various tenements, and courtyard, fronting Bar- tholomew-street, and ad- joining to the said common passage on the said south- west side thereof -	14 July 1789	-	{ Joseph Gibbons, son of lessee - 24 }	42 - -	4 - -	24 - -	- ditto.

8	Ditto	John Chaplin	{ -- A dwelling-house, consisting of two ground rooms, with several chambers over, fronting Bartholomew-st. -- A rent-charge, issuing out of two fields adjoining to Round-lane -- A rent-charge, issuing out of lands near Carlos-cross	19 June 1819	-	{ John Chaplin - 37 Ann Chaplin - 28 Elisa Chaplin - 7 }	80 - - and a surrender of 2 lives	4 4 -	14 10 -	- ditto.
9	St. David	Mrs. Barrow	{ -- A dwelling-house, consisting of two ground rooms, with several chambers over, fronting Bartholomew-st. -- A rent-charge, issuing out of two fields adjoining to Round-lane -- A rent-charge, issuing out of lands near Carlos-cross	-	-	-	-	5 - -	5 - -	{ -- Old houses, one of which, the Bridewell, is out of repair, the other has been repaired and improved. Lease granted in 1741 for 99 years, determinable on the lives of three persons who are all dead. Part of the property contained in this lease has been sold to Mr. Youd, & repurchased by the chamber. See the Report.
10	St. Sidwell	Executors of Dr. Parr	{ -- A dwelling-house, consisting of two ground rooms, with several chambers over, fronting Bartholomew-st. -- A rent-charge, issuing out of two fields adjoining to Round-lane -- A rent-charge, issuing out of lands near Carlos-cross	-	-	-	-	4 - -	4 - -	{ -- Old houses, one of which, the Bridewell, is out of repair, the other has been repaired and improved. Lease granted in 1741 for 99 years, determinable on the lives of three persons who are all dead. Part of the property contained in this lease has been sold to Mr. Youd, & repurchased by the chamber. See the Report.
11	Ditto	{ -- The Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of Exeter - - - }	{ -- Two houses and a garden in Paris-street, one of which was lately used as the City Bridewell - - - }	-	-	-	-	1 6 8	29 - -	{ -- Old houses, one of which, the Bridewell, is out of repair, the other has been repaired and improved. Lease granted in 1741 for 99 years, determinable on the lives of three persons who are all dead. Part of the property contained in this lease has been sold to Mr. Youd, & repurchased by the chamber. See the Report.
12	Ditto	{ John Follett, now James Clarke - - - }	{ Two houses fronting Paris-street - - - }	16 June 1801	-	{ Ann Follett - 19 John Follett - 15 Thomas Campion 21 }	110 - -	1 10 -	31 - -	Old houses, in fair repair.
13	St. Lawrence	{ William Mackworth Praed, esq. now Mrs. Mullins - - - }	{ -- A cellar and large room over, and a plot of garden ground leading to the city wall -- A shop fronting to High-street, with a sitting-room at the back, court-yard and offices -- A coach-house, cellar & wash-house, formerly three dwelling-houses, the two latter adjoining to No. 14, the former near thereto -- A rent-charge, issuing out of a tenement on the south side of Fore-street, a little above the passage leading to and through Broadgate - - - }	10 June 1795	-	{ John Warren - 21 John Creasy - 29 in reversion of lessee }	25 - -	6 - -	19 - -	In good repair.
14	Ditto	- ditto - - -	{ -- A cellar and large room over, and a plot of garden ground leading to the city wall -- A shop fronting to High-street, with a sitting-room at the back, court-yard and offices -- A coach-house, cellar & wash-house, formerly three dwelling-houses, the two latter adjoining to No. 14, the former near thereto -- A rent-charge, issuing out of a tenement on the south side of Fore-street, a little above the passage leading to and through Broadgate - - - }	- ditto	-	- ditto - - -	73 10 -	8 - -	22 - -	- ditto.
15	Ditto	- ditto - - -	{ -- A cellar and large room over, and a plot of garden ground leading to the city wall -- A shop fronting to High-street, with a sitting-room at the back, court-yard and offices -- A coach-house, cellar & wash-house, formerly three dwelling-houses, the two latter adjoining to No. 14, the former near thereto -- A rent-charge, issuing out of a tenement on the south side of Fore-street, a little above the passage leading to and through Broadgate - - - }	- ditto	-	{ Lessee John Warren - 21 }	6 10 -	- 10 -	6 - -	- ditto.
16	St. Martin	Charles Upham	{ -- A cellar and large room over, and a plot of garden ground leading to the city wall -- A shop fronting to High-street, with a sitting-room at the back, court-yard and offices -- A coach-house, cellar & wash-house, formerly three dwelling-houses, the two latter adjoining to No. 14, the former near thereto -- A rent-charge, issuing out of a tenement on the south side of Fore-street, a little above the passage leading to and through Broadgate - - - }	-	-	-	-	8 - -	8 - -	- ditto.

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## RENTAL (B.)—continued.

No.	PARISHES.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.	Contents.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Date of the Leases.	FINE paid for last Renewal.	Receivd Rent.	Clear Yearly Value, as estimated by a Surveyor in 1831.	REMARKS.
17	St. Kerian	{ James Luke, now John Avery	-- A house divided into two tenements, in Waterbeer- street, and a large house in a court-yard behind	18 April 1765	-	Mary Luke - 35 James Luke 7 months	£. s. d. - No fine -	£. s. d. 15 - -	£. s. d. 38 - -	{ Well-built houses, but from time and neglect much out of repair. A revisionary lease of these premises was grant- ed 19th July 1804, for the life of a person since dead, in consideration of a fine of 68 l. 10 s.
18	St. John	John Wilcocks	-- A dwelling-house and shop, in Fore-street, for- merly two houses, & grant- ed before the present lease by two several leases	21 Sept. 1803	-	William Wilcocks 45 Ebenezer Wilcocks 22 John M. Wilcocks 20	320 - - and surrender of 2 leases de- terminable on one life	5 - -	66 - -	In good repair.
19	Allhallows-on- the-Walls	{ John Chapple, now David Wilcocks	-- A dwelling-house, court- lage and garden, in Friern- hay, fronting the street leading from Bartholomew- yard to West-gate	21 Dec. 1790	-	James Chapple 11 Wm. Chapple - 9 Clement Chapple 7	42 - - and rebuilding the house	1 - -	25 - -	- ditto.
20	Ditto	{ David Evans Phillips, now Rebecca Phillips	-- A small house, & court- lage behind, situate in Friernhay, adjoining to No. 19, and fronting the street leading from Bartholomew- yard to West-gate	8 Feb. 1794	-	David Phillips - 24 Nicholas Phillips 12	16 16 -	- 5 -	6 10 -	In tenantable repair.
21	Ditto	William Hicks and Robert Cornish	-- Two dwelling-houses, with offices and gardens behind (commonly called Mount Truck) in Friernhay, and two cottages adjoining No. 20, fronting the street leading from Bartholomew- yard to West-gate	25 March 1807	-	Wm. Hicks, jun. 25 Rob. Cornish, jun. 19 Thomas Dewdney Worthy - - 14	210 - - and surrender of 2 lives	3 - -	66 - -	{ The dwelling-houses are newly built, and in good repair. The cot- tages are old, but in te- nantable repair.

22	St. Sidwell	Richard Balle, now Abraham Richardson	-- Two dwelling-houses, fronting St. Sidwell-street, court-yard, shed, buildings, with a large garden and small field behind	9 Aug. 1790	{ Alex. Thoros, jun. 14 Robt. Ganniciffe 18 Wm. Burnet. - 16 }	26 5 - and building a new house -	5 5 -	39 -	-- Slightly built, and liable to want much repair. The present lease contains a covenant from the lessors, that upon the death of every life, within 30 years the lessee may add another life, on payment of a fine of 36 l. 5 s.
23	St. David	-- George Bryant and George Bryant, jun. & Messrs. Ford & East	-- Two dwelling-houses, fronting Longbrooke-street, with offices and gardens	8 Aug. 1796	{ John Kendall - 27 Ann Bryant - 30 Thomas Carpenter Bryant - 5 }	21 - - -	4 4 -	68 -	-- In good repair. The lessee was to commence from Christmas 1793. By an indorsement on the lease, the houses are stated to be newly built.
24	St. Kerian	Thomas Horrell	-- One large dwelling-houses in North-street, with a large yard, and work-shops behind, and a small house adjoining	21 Sept. 1814	{ Thos. W. Horrell 27 George Horrell - 19 James Veitch - 21 }	210 - - - and surrender of two lives -	14 - - -	80 -	-- Newly built and in good repair. The lease contains a covenant that the lessee may add or exchange a life within 10 years on payment of 30 l.
25	Colyton, Devon	William Cox, now Samuel Seller	A cottage and tenement, called Boars Down	23 Aug. 1794 12 Feb. 1805	{ Sarah Cox - 17 James Underdown 12 Edw. M'Callock Scott, 42 Francis Scott - 40 Guy Bryan Marshall - 39 }	- no fine - 50 - - - 105 - - - and surrender of two lives -	19 10 -	40 -	-- After the determination of the lease of 1794, the rent to be 20 l.
26	Lyme Regis, Dorset	Mary Marshall	-- A dwelling-house, two court-yards and offices, situate in the Butter-market	22 July 1818	{ Henry M. Ford - 16 Mary M. Ford - 13 Wm. Carwithen Ford 12 }	84 - - -	2 - - -	27 -	In good repair.
27	St. David	William Ford	A field in Longbrooke-street, now a nursery	21 Sept. 1802	{ 14 years from Michaelmas 1815 }	- - - - -	2 - - -	20 -	-- This field was let in 1785 for 14 years, at 7 l. 10 s. per annum; & after the expiration of that lease till the present lease was let at 9 l. per annum.
28	St. Stephen	Thomas Tucker	-- Two tenements in the High-street, and one behind, with a courtyard and small garden	17 Jan. 1816	{ 14 years from Michaelmas 1815 }	- - - - -	120 - - -	120 -	-- Clear of all deductions and repairs. In good repair.
29	Various Parishes in Exeter	- - - - -	-- Rents charged upon certain estates belonging to the chamber, and payable to the hospital in respect of Seward's gift	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	29 19 4	- - -	- - -

## RENTAL (B.)—continued.

Nos.	PARISHES.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.	Contents.	Lives now existing, with their Ages at the Dates of the Leases.	FINES paid for last Renewal.	Reserved Rent.	Clear Yearly Value, as estimated by a Surveyor in 1831.	REMARKS.
30	St. Lawrence	{ -- The Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of Exeter -- }	Rooms in the hospital used for the cloth fair - }	-	-	-	-	£. s. d. 18 - -		
31	St. Lawrence	John Hill	Rooms in the hospital used as cellars - }	-	-	-	-	8 8 -		
32	St. David	-	-- The hospital is entitled under Bidgood's gift, either to a tenement called Dur- yard-mill tenement, or to a rent of 30 l. a year, issuing therefrom. The particulars relating to this gift are stated in the Report.	-	-	-	-			
33	St. Olave	-	-- The hospital is also en- titled to a part of the Corn- market, the particulars re- lating to which are stated in the Report.	-	-	-	-			
34	-	-	-- The hospital is also enti- tled to the residue of Chris- topher Lethbridge's gift, the particulars of which are stated in the Report.	-	-	-	-			
35	-	-	-- The hospital is also en- titled to an annuity of 50 s. payable by the chamber, in respect of John Leth- bridge's gift, the particulars of which are stated in the Report.	-	-	-	-			
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No. 1.—SUMMARY of EXPENDITURE for Six Years, from Michaelmas 1814 to Michaelmas 1820.

	NUMBER of BOYS.	SALARIES.	Maintenance of the Boys in the Blue School.	Taxes, Rates, Chief Rents, Insurance, &c.	Necessaries for the Boys, and other incidental Expenses.	REPAIRS.	Tradesmen's Bills not included in the preceding Column.	Total Expenditure.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
From Michaelmas 1814 to 1815	Half year - - - 20	185 18 -	308 - -	157 8 6½	97 6 11½	7 3 11	3 8 8	759 3 1
	One quarter - - - 19							
	One quarter - - - 18							
1816	One quarter - - - 18	186 11 -	276 - -	111 - 11	112 3 3	279 8 11	41 6 6	1,006 17 7
	Three quarters - - 17							
	Half the year - - - 18							
1817	One quarter - - - 17	111 15 -	276 - -	53 7 4	73 4 6	206 6 9	30 17 6	751 11 1
	One quarter - - - 16							
	Half the year - - - 17							
1818	Half the year - - - 18	156 5 -	280 - -	68 19 8	121 5 11	415 4 3	33 5 5	1,075 - 3
	Half the year - - - 18							
	Half a quarter - - - 18							
1819	Half a quarter - - - 19	117 5 -	338 - -	42 - -	99 19 5	100 10 2	51 15 10	749 10 5
	Three quarters - - 21							
	One quarter - - - 22							
1820	Three quarters - - 22	119 5 -	348 - -	43 2 -	101 17 10	438 4 7	55 19 2	1,106 8 7
	Three quarters - - 22							

## OBSERVATIONS.

Under the head of Salaries are comprehended those of the masters of the grammar school, the Blue school and the school at Moreton Hampstead; the divinity reader, and Hebrew lecturer at Exeter college, Oxford; the allowances to the deputy steward, serjeant at mace, clerk and sexton of the chapel, and for sacrament wine there. To Lady-day 1817, this head also comprehends an annuity of 15*l.* paid to a former master of the hospital, who had retired from age, and upon whose retirement the offices of master of the hospital and master of the Blue school were united. The present annual amount of salaries is 124*l.* 5*s.*, but the payments have not been quite regular in each year.

The maintenance is at the rate of 16*l.* per annum for each boy in the Blue school.

The head of Taxes, &c., for the years 1815, 1816 and 1817, includes the property tax paid in those years. This head, in 1818, comprehends an assessment in the parish of St. David (in which the grammar schoolmaster's house is situate), for rebuilding the church. This head also

includes the allowance of 5*l.* a year, made to one of the tenants for the damage done by the Crediton canal being cut through the land rented by him (part of Duryard-mill tenement), of which allowance an arrear was paid for ten years in 1815.

The column of necessities and incidentals includes the master of the Blue school's casual bills, the expenses of the courts at Broadclist, the premium paid on apprenticing the boys, the payment to an apothecary for medical attendance, the charge for Exe water laid into the hospital, the allowance to each steward of 4*l.* under Hele's gift, for an entertainment on passing his accounts, &c. &c.

The sums paid for repairs include arrears of bills due for some years previous to 1814. In 1820 they include a thatcher's bill, for work on Duryard-mill tenement, of 38*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* In addition to the sums thus paid, there were outstanding bills for repairs, due at Michaelmas 1820, to the amount of more than 700*l.*



## No. 2.

## ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL AND THE CHAMBER OF EXETER.

STATEMENT, showing the ANNUAL BALANCES upon the Hospital Accounts, from Michaelmas 1770 to Michaelmas 1809, when the Accounts of the Steward of the Hospital were separated from those of the Receiver.

Dr.			Cr.		
		£. s. d.			£. s. d.
1772	{Balance against the hospital - -}	82 10 8	1771	{Balance in favour of the hospital -}	52 4 2½
1775	- - - -	31 10 2	1773	- - - -	33 13 -½
1777	- - - -	1,156 4 -½	1774	- - - -	17 8 -
1778	- - - -	112 - 9	1776	- - - -	45 16 7½
1781	- - - -	29 12 4½	1779	- - - -	118 18 4½
1782	- - - -	13 19 9½	1780	- - - -	191 16 7
1786	- - - -	298 13 9½	1783	- - - -	58 16 7½
1800	- - - -	13 18 6½	1784	- - - -	80 15 5½
1809	- - - -	85 1 8	1785	- - - -	227 14 3½
		1,823 11 9½	1787	- - - -	116 13 5
	General Balance on Account, in favour of the hospital -	4,880 13 7½	1788	- - - -	37 16 5½
			1789	- - - -	35 8 11½
			1790	- - - -	147 19 2
			1791	- - - -	145 8 5½
			1792	- - - -	198 1 1
			1793	- - - -	81 10 8½
			1794	- - - -	143 14 6
			1795	- - - -	161 4 -½
			1796	- - - -	1 7 11½
			1797	- - - -	107 7 10½
			1798	- - - -	203 8 10½
			1799	- - - -	184 2 6½
			1801	- - - -	365 9 2½
			1802	- - - -	15 9 8
			1803	- - - -	183 9 5½
			1804	- - - -	256 13 8½
			1805	- - - -	198 9 5½
			1806	- - - -	290 6 3
			1807	- - - -	80 6 7½
			1808	- - - -	3,022 13 8½
		£. 6,704 5 5½			£. 6,704 5 5½

## No. 3.

FINES paid for the RENEWALS of LEASES, but not accounted for in the Steward's Accounts, from 1770 to 1820.

		£. s. d.
1777	Fine on lease of part of N° 18, in Rental (B.)	15 - -
	D° - - - of the other part - - -	25 - -
1782	D° - - - of N° 5 - - -	52 10 -
1783	D° of N° 2, 118 <i>l</i> 2 <i>s</i> . and N° 3, 39 <i>l</i> 8 <i>s</i> .	157 10 -
1784	D° of N° 21 - - -	35 - -
1785	D° of N° 1 - - -	52 10 -
1789	D° of N° 7 - - -	42 - -
1789	D° of N° 26 - - -	63 - -
1790	D° of N° 19 - - -	42 - -
	D° of N° 22 - - -	26 5 -
1794	D° of N° 20 - - -	16 16 -
1798	D° of N° 5 - - -	21 - -
		£. 548 11 -

## No. 4.

ACCOUNT, showing the SUMS RECEIVED by *St. John's Hospital*, from 1770 to 1820, from the Rents of Duryard Mill Tenement, but now claimed by the Chamber, subject to a Rent-charge of £.30 per annum.

	RENT-CHARGE.	Disbursements.	Money received by the Hospital.	YEARLY RENT.	Money claimed by the Chamber as due to them from the Hospital.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
From Michaelmas 1770, to Michaelmas 1771	35 10 -	7 2 3	28 7 9	30 - -	- - -
1772	35 10 -	9 13 6	25 16 6	30 - -	- - -
1773	35 10 -	6 15 8½	28 14 3½	30 - -	- - -
1774	35 10 -	8 5 10	27 4 2	30 - -	- - -
1775	63 - -	8 17 7	54 2 5	30 - -	24 2 5
1776	63 - -	9 - 2½	53 19 9½	30 - -	23 19 9½
1777	63 - -	- - -	63 - - -	30 - -	33 - - -
1778	63 - -	7 9 7	55 10 5	30 - -	25 10 5
1779	63 - -	7 9 7	35 10 5	30 - -	25 10 5
1780	63 - -	8 14 -½	54 5 11½	30 - -	24 5 11½
1781	63 - -	8 12 7½	54 7 4½	30 - -	24 7 4½
1782	63 - -	8 7 5½	54 12 6½	30 - -	24 12 6½
1783	63 - -	8 10 8½	54 9 3½	30 - -	24 9 3½
1784	63 - -	7 19 7	55 - 5	30 - -	25 - 5
1785	63 - -	10 12 6	52 7 6	30 - -	22 7 6
1786	63 - -	15 1 2½	47 18 9½	30 - -	17 18 9½
1787	63 - -	11 5 4	51 14 8	30 - -	21 14 8
1788	63 - -	14 11 -½	48 8 11½	30 - -	18 8 11½
1789	25 - -	7 8 6	17 11 6	- - -	- - -
1790	60 - -	3 4 -	56 16 -	30 - -	26 16 -
1791	60 - -	3 13 9	56 6 3	30 - -	26 6 3
1792	60 - -	3 13 9	56 6 3	30 - -	26 6 3
1793	60 - -	3 13 9	56 6 3	30 - -	26 6 3
1794	60 - -	4 3 6	55 16 6	30 - -	25 16 6
Two years - 1796	120 - -	6 17 9	113 2 3	60 - -	53 2 3
1797	60 - -	3 13 9	56 6 3	30 - -	26 6 3
1798	60 - -	3 14 8	56 5 4	30 - -	26 5 4
1799	60 - -	3 14 6	56 5 6	30 - -	26 5 6
1800	60 - -	3 14 6	56 5 6	30 - -	26 5 6
1801	60 - -	3 4 -	56 16 -	30 - -	26 16 -
1802	60 - -	3 4 -	56 16 -	30 - -	26 16 -
1803	75 - -	49 6 -	25 14 -	- - -	- - -
1804	90 - -	23 15 -	66 5 -	30 - -	36 5 -
1805	90 - -	5 1 -	84 19 -	30 - -	54 19 -
1806	90 - -	4 12 8½	85 7 3½	30 - -	55 7 3½
1807	90 - -	11 1 6	78 18 6	30 - -	48 18 6
1808	90 - -	8 13 6	81 6 6	30 - -	51 6 6
1809	90 - -	15 10 -	74 10 -	30 - -	44 10 -
1810	90 - -	9 - -	81 - - -	30 - -	51 - - -
1811	90 - -	6 4 1½	83 15 10½	30 - -	53 15 10½
1812	90 - -	9 12 6	80 7 6	30 - -	50 7 6
1813	50 - -	12 - -	38 - - -	30 - -	8 - - -
1814	150 - -	66 5 8	83 14 4	30 - -	53 14 4
1815	90 - -	14 - -	76 - - -	30 - -	46 - - -
1816	50 - -	5 13 6	44 6 6	30 - -	14 6 6
1817	85 - -	17 11 3	67 8 9	30 - -	37 8 9
1818	87 - -	5 1 6	81 18 6	30 - -	51 18 6
1819	105 - -	4 11 6	100 8 6	30 - -	70 8 6
1820	115 - -	51 4 8	61 15 4	30 - -	31 15 4
Fine received in 1796, from John Wotton Beunett, for lease of the mills granted to him					10 10 -
Rent received from him for the same, from 1796 to 1812, when a lease for 1,000 years was granted to him at a nominal rent					103 19 -
Money received from the Crediton Canal Company, for damage done to the land					18 6 8
Deduct deficiency to make up the annuity of 30l. in 1771 - - -					£. 1,571 13 11
Ditto - - - 1772 - - -					4 3 6
Ditto - - - 1773 - - -					1 5 8½
Ditto - - - 1774 - - -					2 15 10
Ditto - - - 1789 - - -					12 8 6
Ditto - - - 1803 - - -					4 6 -
					£. 26 11 9½
					£. 1,545 2 1½

## No. 5.

ACCOUNT, showing the RENTS received by *St. John's Hospital*, from the Premises charged with the Rent-charges arising from Sir Edward Seaward's Gift, from 1770 to 1820.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
From 1770 to 1772 - - 2 years, at 30 6 8 per annum - -					60	13	4
1772 to 1777 - - 5 years, at 34 1 - - - -					170	5	-
1777 to 1784 - - 7 years, at 33 - 8 - - - -					231	4	8
1785 - - - - 1 year, at 29 - 8 - - - -					29	-	8
1785 to 1802 - - 17 years, at 29 1 8 - - - -					494	8	4
1802 to 1808 - - 6 years, at 26 5 - - - -					157	10	-
1808 to 1813 - - 5 years, at 41 5 - - - -					206	5	-
1813 to 1820 - - 7 years, at 39 11 8 - - - -					277	1	8
					1,626	8	8
50 years rent-charge, - - at 29 19 4 - - - -					1,498	6	8
Balance due to the Chamber - - - - - £.					128	2	-

## No. 6.

SUMS stated by the Chamber of Exeter to have been charged by mistake in the Accounts of the Chamber, from 1770 to 1800, for Repairs, &c. to the Hospital and Buildings belonging thereto, which the Chamber contend ought now to be charged to the Account of the Hospital.

£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
1778 - - - - -	11	6		Brought forward - -	860	13 2
1779 - - - - -	57	6		1794 - - - - -	19	3 3
1780 - - - - -	40	-	5	1795 - - - - -	19	7 4
1781 - - - - -	114	-	-	1796 - - - - -	5	3 11
1782 - - - - -	130	8	11	1797 - - - - -	1	12 -
1783 - - - - -	1	14	8	1798 - - - - -	63	7 1
1784 - - - - -	33	13	6	1799 - - - - -	14	16 3
1785 - - - - -	23	8	2	1800 - - - - -	10	13 4
1786 - - - - -	25	15	10	1801 - - - - -	6	6 2
1787 - - - - -	53	14	6	1802 - - - - -	4	12 8
1788 - - - - -	4	5	7	1803 - - - - -	12	13 5
1789 - - - - -	8	5	3	1804 - - - - -	10	18 7
1790 - - - - -	321	9	6	1805 - - - - -	5	6 6
1791 - - - - -	-	16	6	1806 - - - - -	56	17 3½
1792 - - - - -	18	2	10	1807 - - - - -	3	1 4
1793 - - - - -	27	-	-	1809 - - - - -	6	13 9
Carried forward - -	£. 860	13	2		£. 1,101	5 -½

## No. 7.

## HELE'S GIFT.

EXPENSES of the HALF-YEARLY COURTS at *Broadclist*, of Chaise Hire, &c. for the Governors attending those Courts, and of Wine supplied at those Courts, and at the Meetings of the Governors at the Hospital; extracted from the Hospital Accounts, from 1770 to 1820.

		£.	s.	d.			£.	s.	d.
1770	Expense of Courts	-	-	11 17 5	1799	Courts	-	26 15 11	
1771		-	-	-		Chaises	-	2 15 -	
1772		-	-	11 11 6		Eight dozen of wine	-	12 12 -	
1773		-	-	10 11 9	1800	Courts	-	33 7 -	
1774		-	-	10 14 -		Nine dozen of wine sent to the Hospital and Broadclist Courts	-	13 10 -	
1775	Ditto	-	-	10 3 -		Courts	-	32 10 11	
	Chaise hire, &c.	-	-	1 13 8		Ten dozen of wine for Hospital and Broadclist	-	15 - -	
1776	Courts	-	-	10 13 3	1801	Courts	-	24 13 10	
1777	Ditto	-	-	14 13 2		Ten dozen of wine	-	15 - -	
1778	Ditto	-	-	9 16 10	1803	Courts	-	19 17 9	
	Horse hire, &c.	-	-	1 5 1		Ten dozen of wine	-	15 - -	
1779	Courts and horse hire	-	-	10 15 1	1804	Courts	-	19 6 1	
1780	Courts	-	-	12 2 6		Ten dozen of wine	-	15 - -	
1781	Ditto	-	-	12 16 -	1805	Courts	-	22 1 5	
1782	Ditto	-	-	12 5 5		Ten dozen of wine	-	15 - -	
1783	Ditto	-	-	16 7 2	1806	Courts	-	23 18 10	
1784	Ditto	-	-	14 7 5		Ten dozen of wine	-	15 - -	
	Paid the Chamber for three dozen of wine carried to Broadclist Courts	-	-	3 3 -	1807	Courts	-	27 3 1	
1785	Courts	-	-	14 15 5		Ten dozen of wine	-	20 - -	
	Four dozen of wine	-	-	4 4 -	1808	Courts	-	21 1 7	
1786	Courts	-	-	16 11 4		Ten dozen of wine	-	20 - -	
	Four dozen of wine	-	-	4 4 -	1809	Courts	-	25 16 1	
1787	Courts	-	-	17 10 -		Six dozen of wine	-	15 - -	
	Four dozen of wine	-	-	4 4 -		Bill for wine sent to the Hospital	-	13 15 10	
1788	Courts	-	-	12 13 -	1810	Court (only one), this account comprehending only half a year's receipts	-	9 17 10	
	Four dozen of wine	-	-	4 4 -		Courts	-	13 14 3	
1789	Courts	-	-	16 8 11	1812	Ditto	-	20 15 9	
	Six dozen of wine sent to the Hospital and to Broadclist Courts	-	-	6 6 -		Bill for wine	-	52 13 -	
1790	Courts	-	-	15 19 8	1813	Courts	-	12 8 2	
	Six dozen of wine	-	-	6 6 -		Bill for wine	-	27 18 11	
1791	Courts	-	-	13 19 3	1814	Courts	-	13 15 11	
	Six dozen of wine	-	-	6 6 -		Bill for wine	-	19 7 -	
1792	Courts	-	-	15 19 5		Bill for chaise hire for several years	-	28 1 -	
	Six dozen of wine	-	-	6 6 -		Bill for ditto	-	2 12 -	
1793	Courts	-	-	16 11 9	1815	Courts, horse hire, &c.	-	24 - 4	
	Six dozen of wine	-	-	6 6 -		Bill for wine	-	22 11 -	
1794	Courts	-	-	16 1 2	1816	Courts	-	27 17 9	
	Six dozen of wine	-	-	6 6 -	1817	Ditto	-	24 14 -	
1795	Courts	-	-	19 9 4		Bill for wine	-	26 18 -	
	Eight dozen of wine sent to the Hospital and to Broadclist Courts	-	-	12 12 -	1818	Courts	-	20 16 2	
1796	Courts	-	-	22 18 -		Bill for wine	-	29 10 5	
	Eight dozen of wine	-	-	12 12 -	1819	Courts	-	28 1 7	
1797	Courts	-	-	22 15 -		Bill for wine	-	27 19 2	
	Eight dozen of wine	-	-	12 12 -	1820	Courts	-	25 4 10	
1798	Courts	-	-	22 1 8		Bill for wine	-	7 4 10	
	Eight dozen of wine	-	-	12 12 -					

## CALWODELEY'S GIFT.

12th December 1820.—*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

IS the chamber of Exeter in possession of the manor of Awliscombe?—It is.

Are you aware that any application of the profits of this manor for any charitable purposes has ever been made?—I am not aware of any. The rents and profits of this manor are, and always have been, carried to the general account of the chamber. Some fee-farm rents due to persons who bought under the Crown are paid by the chamber; and these payments amount to more than the conventional rents, the principal profit of the manor arising from fines. These fee-farm rents are payable by the chamber, for property held by them. The chamber consider this manor as their own property, and not as a charity.

*Henry Blackall, Esq.*

Do you wish to add any remark to the evidence of Mr. Collyns, as to the manor of Awliscombe?—I have only to remark, that under a late Act of Parliament for new building the city gaol, the chamber are bound to repair the gaol, and maintain the prisoners in it; and I declare, that one inducement on my part to consent to this obligation on the part of the chamber was, because I considered the manor of Awliscombe as granted to the chamber for purposes not very specific; and I therefore considered the application of the revenues of the chamber, of which this manor was part, to this purpose, as fair and reasonable.

*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

Do you coincide with Mr. Blackall in the observations he has made?—I do.

28th February 1821.

Mr. *Thomas Campion* produced a Rental of the Awliscombe property, with counterparts of the leases.

[*Note.*—From a survey taken in 1780, the computed gross yearly value of all the tenements in the Rental, except No. 5 and No. 11, appears to have been 150*l.* The value of the two latter appears, from alterations upon the survey, to have been ascertained in 1801.]

Do you know which of the lives on which leases have been granted are now subsisting?—I do not. I apprehend that many of the lives have fallen, because I know that applications have been made for renewals. No lease has been renewed since 1805.

Have you the counterpart of the lease of No. 8 in the Rental?—I cannot find it. I cannot find that any lease has been granted of this property since that stated in the Rental of 1748.

There appears to have been another small tenement in 1804, rented by the Rev. Mr. Martin, at the rent of 1*s.* 8*d.*; do you know any thing of this?—I find, by the receiver's accounts, that in 1804, Mr. Martin paid 7*s.* 4*d.* for late Pulman, and 1*s.* 8*d.* for late Bamfill's. In 1805, a lease was granted to Daniel Pring, of Breache's and Speke's land, late Martin's, No. 5 in the Rental, at the rent of 1*l.* Probably Daniel Pring took both the tenements which Martin held, at one increased conventional rent.

Are there any deductions from the conventional rents of this property?—There are the following:

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Two chief rents, 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> and 1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	4	—
Taxes for Marle's and Loss's	8	—
Pring, for collecting rents	5	—
	17	—

Do you know how long this estate has been let for leases determinable on lives?—The whole appears to have been let on leases determinable on lives at the time of a survey taken in 1759. I cannot say how long before they were so let.

Do you know any thing of the state of repair of the buildings on this estate?—I do not.

[*Note.*—In the survey made by Mr. Kingdom, in 1780, many of the buildings are stated to be either fallen down, or in a dilapidated state. The town tenement, No. 7, Marle's, No. 11 and No. 8, are stated to be then in good repair.]

What is the amount of fee-farm rents paid by the chamber?—They consist of 20*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* paid to Lord Hardwicke, and 16*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* paid to Lord Somers.

[Receipts produced, stated to be for one year's rent. Lord Hardwicke's rent is stated to be received of the receiver of the city of Exeter, and Lord Somers's to be received of the mayor of Exeter.]

How were the prisoners supported before the late Act?—They had been formerly supported by the chamber. For a few years previous to the Act, they were supported by a county rate, but the payment was disputed by the corporation of the poor, and what had been so paid was refunded.

What is the annual expense of supporting the prisoners?—The expense from Michaelmas 1819 to Michaelmas 1820, was 199*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* This includes the keeper's salary of 35*l.*, the prisoners' allowance, and incidental expenses. Bread is the great expense, and as the price of bread has been low in the last year, this expense is too low for an average. Payments have been made by the warden of the poor to the receiver in 1818 and 1819, by order of the chamber, to the amount of 350*l.*, towards the prison expenses.

*Charles Collyns, Esq.*

Do you know the property of Awliscombe?—I have been there frequently. When I saw the buildings, they appeared in a fair state. I have seen the principal farms there.

## MAGDALEN HOSPITAL.

6th December 1821.—*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

By whom has the charity called Magdalen Hospital been managed of late years?—Previously to the year 1804, the rents and fines of the Magdalen lands were received by the receiver-general of the chamber, and carried to his general account. In 1804 a separation of this account took place, and a separate account was opened. A warden of the Magdalen was, previously to 1804, and has since that time, been annually appointed. Mr. Joseph Greenway was appointed warden in 1804, and received and paid two years' rent; but from 1805 the rents and fines were received, the payments made and the accounts kept by my father, John Campion, to the present time. The mayor, on going out of office, is appointed to be warden of the Magdalen for the next year.

What does the property of the Magdalen consist of?—

[The witness produced the rental, which will be found at the end of the evidence.]

[*Note.*—On comparing the present rental with the rental of 1765, the property appears to be the same as at present, with some small alteration of rents, and of an union of some of the tenements, and of a separation of others.

Two old rentals of the wardens of the Magdalen are produced of 1654 and 1656, in which there appear several chief rents not now received, and a larger number of tenements than appear in the present rental. The amount of the rents, exclusive of the chief rents, in 1654 was 18*l.* 19*s.*, and in 1656, 18*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*]

In the two old rentals, 6*s.* 8*d.* appears to have been received for a close of land and the marsh called the Magdalen lands, in the parish of Clist St. George. Have the chamber any lands there?—No.

In the rental of 1765, a chief rent of 6*s.* 8*d.* is inserted, but does not appear to have been received; and there is a memorandum in that rental that a great arrear was due. A rent of 5*s.*, due from the heirs of Stafford for lands at Ide, is also stated in the same rental to be forty-four years in arrear, and a rent of 2*s.* 2*d.*, due from the heirs of Bennett for Rosamond's Ford, in Aylesbeare, is stated to be fifty years in arrear. Do you know whether any inquiries have been made to ascertain out of what lands these are payable?—I do not know.

The property at Broadclist (No. 19 in the rental) appears to have been let on a lease for twenty-one years, at the rack-rent of 4*l.* per annum, previously to the present lease; can you account for its being then let on lease for lives?—I cannot.

[*Note.*—In the account of 1791, 24*l.* is stated to be due for arrears, which sum does not appear to have ever been received. In the existing lease, the property is demised by the description of a cottage and six fields, and a power is given to the lessee either to let down the buildings or to allow them to stand.]

Who is Mrs. Balle, who is allowed to occupy No. 14 in the rental, rent free?—She is the widow of John Balle, late a member of the corporation, who died and left her in very indigent circumstances. The premises fell into hand about the time of the death of John Balle, having been previously leased under a conventional rent of 4*s.* 2*d.*, and I apprehend she was then permitted to take possession of them, as an object of charity.

[*Note.*—In the accounts for 1815, a bill of 15*l.* 4*s.*, and in 1816 a bill of 42*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.*, are inserted for repairs done at Mrs. Balle's house.]

Do you know who is the owner of the other moiety of a close in Longbrooke-street, No. 18 in the rental?—I believe the Rev. Jonas Dennis; the lessee of the moiety belonging to the charity is the owner of the other moiety.

Do you know whether any parts of the charity property, except the land at Broadclist and the four tenements, numbered 21, 22, 23 and 24 in the rental, have ever been let at rack-rent?—I am not aware that they ever have been.

What is the mode of granting leases of this property?—With the exceptions which have been mentioned, the lands are granted on leases for ninety-nine years, determinable on lives, upon the application of the lessees, on their payment of fines, the amount of which is ascertained by the opinion of the surveyor of the corporation.

Have you ever heard that any part of this property has been granted for a longer term than ninety-nine-years, determinable on lives?—No.

Do you think that the lands upon which there are no buildings could be let advantageously at a rack-rent?—I think they might.

Are there any other sources of income belonging to the charity?—Yes; there is one penny paid out of the fees on the admission of every freeman to the city of Exeter, and one penny for each plaint issued from the provost court of the city of Exeter. These small sums are paid by the town clerk to my father.

How is the 3*s.* 4*d.* per annum, derived from Baker's gift to this hospital, disposed of?—It is received by my father, and forms a part of the general account.

Is the rent-charge of 4*s.* given by Robert Chafe, out of a tenement in St. Mary Arches-lane, now received?—A rent of 4*s.* is received from the Phillips' family for property in St. Mary Arches-lane, which, I apprehend, is in respect of this gift.

What does the hospital consist of?—Of three houses, containing two rooms each, inhabited by three persons. These are in a fair state of repair. There is also a large building, consisting of four ground floors and four chambers, inhabited by eight poor persons. The poor persons have small garden plots. This is a very ancient building, and in a bad state. The lower rooms are very damp. There is also an ancient chapel standing in the garden, consisting only of the walls and roof. A new roof was a few years ago added, at the expense of the funds of the charity, of upwards of 80*l.* the bills of part of which have not as yet been paid.

What sums are now owing from the charity for repairs?—About 60*l.*

By whom are the poor persons appointed who live in this hospital?—By the chamber.

What description of persons are appointed to live there?—Poor persons of Exeter indiscriminately, men and women, married or single. Upon the occurrence of a vacancy, applications are made to the chamber by petition, and a preference is always given to persons, if any such apply, who are afflicted with scrofula, which has been supposed to resemble the ancient leprosy.

What payments are made to the poor?—The sum of 30*s.* is paid every four weeks by my father to one of the poor persons who comes for it; I understand that this sum is not divided equally amongst the

the whole of the poor people in the hospital, but amongst those only who are afflicted with the disease of scrofula. There are at present six persons afflicted, amongst whom the money is divided. This has been the custom for a great number of years.

Do you think that the building inhabited by eight persons is calculated to hold so many as eight persons?—I think it not calculated to hold more than four, so as to make the inhabitants comfortable.

What are the other items of the expenditure?—My father receives 2*l.* 2*s.* per annum for keeping the accounts; and the repairs of the hospital, and the tenements at rack-rent, form the other parts of the expenditure.

Have any sums been advanced to the chamber out of the fines received since the separation of the receiver-general's account?—In October 1810, 250*l.* and in November 1814, 200*l.* were advanced to the receiver-general for the time being, by order of the chamber, at four per cent. interest, which interest has been regularly paid to Michaelmas 1821. In the account made up to the 14th October 1821, and produced, there was a balance in my father's hands of 53*l.* 17*s.* 9*d.* This does not include the interest, or the conventional rents due at Michaelmas last.

How often are the accounts audited?—They do not appear to have been audited from the time my father began to keep the account till February 1815. They were again audited in December 1815, in January 1817, and May 1819; and they are prepared for auditing to October 1821.

In whose names are the leases granted?—In the names of the brothers and sisters of lepers of the house and hospital of St. Mary Magdalen, without the south gate of the city of Exeter, with the consent of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, stated to be founders of the hospital; and in some instances they are stated to be granted with the consent of the warden of the hospital, by name. Four of the leases, the counterparts of which are produced, are granted by the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Exeter, under the seal of the chamber, without reference to the brothers and sisters. This, I apprehend, was done by mistake of the person who drew the leases. The common seal of the Magdalen Hospital is in the custody of the chamber at the Guildhall, and is affixed to the leases granted in the name of the brethren and sisters.

[*Note.*—These four leases are, the lease of No. 9, dated in 1776, to Samuel Coade; the leases of No. 12, granted in 1793 and 1801 to Joseph Gove; and the lease of No. 15, granted in 1775 to George Bryant.]

How are the contracts for renewal of the leases made?—They are made in the same manner as leases granted by the chamber with the chamber, upon the report of a surveyor. John Hewett, the lessee of No. 17, has lately applied for a renewal for a life.

Do you know whether an annual payment of 2*l.* 12*s.* is made by the dean and chapter to the poor of the hospital?—It does not appear by the accounts to be received; I do not know whether it has been paid to the poor or not; I never heard of its ever having been paid.

It appears from the accounts of Joseph Greenway, who was warden of the hospital from 1805 to 1806, that a balance of 7*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.* was due from him, which does not appear to be carried forward in the next warden's accounts; can you account for this?—I cannot account for its not being paid; but Mr. Joseph Greenway is now dead, in an insolvent state.

7th December 1821.—*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

Is there any toll now received for corn or bread for the poor persons of the Magdalen Hospital?—No. Is any use now made of the chapel?—No.

Do you think that the old part of the present building can be made comfortable for the inhabitants without being rebuilt?—I think not.

[*Note.*—An old account was produced of the warden of the Magdalen in 1527, from which it appears that weekly payments were made to the brothers and sisters, for that part of the year, of 6*s.*, and for the other part of that year, of 5*s.* 6*d.* per week; but the number of the poor in the hospital is not stated. A rental of 1752, of the Magdalen land, was also produced.]

*Mr. John Pawning.*

Is there any timber upon any of the lands belonging to this hospital?—On No. 4 there is some elm timber, of the value of from 40*l.* to 50*l.*

What description of land does the property at Broadlist, leased to Dr. Troyte, consist of?—Cold, poor, wet land, partly arable; but the greater part is coppice wood. There is no timber upon it.

What description of land does the property at Dawlish, No. 20 in the rental, consist of?—It is fair land, and much increased in value, in consequence of the improvements made at Dawlish. There are no buildings upon it, and no timber of any value.

Do you know whether Mr. John Newcombe, to whom the existing lease of No. 20 was granted, was a member of the chamber of Exeter?—I believe not.

8th December 1821.—*Elizabeth Hadley.*

ARE you one of the almspeople in the Magdalen Hospital?—I am, and was appointed about twelve years ago.

What payments do you receive annually in respect of your situation?—Six of us, who are sick persons, receive 1*l.* 10*s.* monthly, which is equally divided amongst us; and the whole eleven of us receive 2*s.* per week from Mr. Blackall in respect of Cook's charity, and a gratuity of 10*s.* each at Christmas from the same gentleman. We receive amongst us also 1*s.* 8*d.* of the Tailors' Company, in respect of Joan Tuckfield's gift, which is equally divided amongst the whole of us at Easter.

Do you receive the sum of 2*l.* 12*s.* from the dean and chapter of Exeter annually?—We receive nothing from them. Before I was appointed there were three scrofulous persons, who were considered lepers, between whom the 30*s.* a month was divided. When I was appointed, it was equally divided amongst four, and as the two others were appointed, it was then divided in the same way amongst the whole.

18th February 1822.—*Mr. Thomas Campion.*

HAS the agreement taken place between the chamber and Mr. John Hewett, the lessee of No. 17, as to a renewal of his lease?—Yes; he has been allowed to add one new life and exchange another, for which he is to pay 350*l.* The lease is not yet executed. Mr. Hewett has been informed, that his present interest is to be allowed to expire, without farther renewals. The fine has been calculated, with an allowance to the lessee, in consideration of his having laid out nearly 1,500*l.* on the premises.



NO.	PARISHES.	LESSEES.	TENEMENTS.	DATES of the LEASES.	Consideration.	LIVES and AGES at the Dates of the Leases.	RENT.	Present estimated clear Yearly Value.	OBSERVATIONS.
1	Saint Sidwell	James Pearce	-- Five fields near Livery Dole, containing about seven acres.	16th Aug. 1796	£. s. d. 44 - -	Lucy Russell Pearce - 33	£. s. d. 1 4 -	2. s. d. 32 17 -	-- The fences of this field have been thrown down, and it is now united with the field, No. 3, in this rental.
2	Extra parochial.	John Baring, esq. and others.	-- One field (formerly two) situate near Magdalen hospital, on the south side of the road leading from Southgate towards Heavtree, containing 2 A. 1 R. 22 P.	17th Nov. 1795, for 3 lives.	50 - - and surrender of 2 lives.	Thomas Kennaway - 32 Eleanor Baring - 24 John Cole - 34	2 - -	16 - -	
3	Ditto	- ditto -	-- A field, called Fair Park, adjoining to the south side of Magdalen hospital, containing about two acres, now united with No. 2.	17th Nov. 1795, for 3 lives.	63 - - and surrender of 3 lives.	Thomas Kennaway - 32 Eleanor Baring - 24 John Cole - 34	- 13 4	14 - -	
4	Ditto	Richard Collins, esq.	-- A field, late Hewett's, at the bottom of Magdalen street, containing 4 A. 2 R. 1 P.	11th Jan. 1810, for 3 lives.	315 - -	Mary Hewett, now Leach - 43 Richard Collins, jun. - 19	4 - -	40 - -	-- Now underlet by the lessee in three parcels. There is some elm timber standing on this field, of the value of about 40 l. or 50 l.
5	Ditto	Elizabeth Jackson, widow.	-- A nursery, formerly a meadow, behind Southernhay, containing about 1 A. & 1 R.	7th Apr. 1790, for 3 lives.	19 - -	Mary Jackson - 15 Timothy T. Jackson - 12	1 - -	18 - -	
6	Ditto	John Thomas	-- A dwelling-house, with a little plot of garden, at the bottom of Magdalen street, on the south side thereof, and adjoining to the burying ground belonging to the Magdalen hospital.	18th Dec. 1759 19th May 1801, for 2 lives.	- no fine - 40 - -	Thomas Brewer - 8 Lessee - 31 Ann, his Wife - 26	- 6 8	78 15 -	-- The house, No. 6, is described in the lease of 1759 to be ruinous, and the lease contains a covenant to rebuild. The premises Nos. 6 and 7, are described in the leases as stated in the third column of the rental; but since the leases were granted, the lessee has erected buildings thereon, and the premises now consist of a hair and flax manufactory, a tenement adjoining, a smaller tenement adjoining, a long range of building forming a dwelling-house, also adjoining, and a small tenement adjoining, with gardens to the back of the whole. The whole premises are in good repair.
7	Ditto	- ditto -	-- A dwelling-house, adjoining to the west side of No. 6, together with a little plot of garden near the same.	26th June 1798	5 5 - and surrender.	Lessee - 28 Ann, his wife - 24 James, his brother - 12	- 5 -		

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8	Extra par- chial.	William Thomas	-- A small tenement ad- joining to the west side of No. 7, with a little garden plot near the same.	8th Aug. 1815	£. s. d. 56 - - and surrender.	Lessee - - - 41 James, his son - 11 Robert Thomas, his brother - - 33	£. s. d. - 4 -	9 - -	In good repair.
9	Trinity	Samuel Coade, now Thomas Squance.	-- A dwelling-house and garden at the lower end of Magdalen-street, with a plot of ground adjoining to the burying yard of Magdalen hospital, sepa- rated from the hospital garden by a brook, and now let in three tenements.	16th Jan. 1776	170 1 -	Peter Beavis - - 10 Henry Beavis - 9	2 8 8	23 - -	Built with mud walls, and thatched. In bad repair.
10	Ditto	William Kennaway	-- Several tenements, coach- house, stabling and press shops, and courtlage on the south side of Magdalen- street.	21st Dec. 1813	100 - - and surrender.	Thomas Kennaway - 50 Frances Kennaway - 18 Rose Kennaway - 14	1 - -	40 - -	Some repairs wanting.
11	Ditto	John Marsh	-- A house, let in various tenements, with a garden on the south side of Mag- dalen-street, formerly a public-house, called the Red Lion.	11th Dec. 1792	52 10 - and surrender.	John Marsh - - 49	1 11 6	13 - -	In very bad repair.
12	Ditto	Joseph Gove	-- A dwelling-house, court- lage and garden on the north side of Magdalen- street, nearly opposite the hospital.	13th Aug. 1793	21 - - and surrender.	Lessee - - - 42 Betty Cantlebury - 24 Hannah Gove - 45	- 6 8	19 - -	In good repair.
13	Ditto	Moses Mordecai	-- A plot of ground on the south side of Magdalen- street, used for the burial ground of the Jews.	23d June 1807	- 5 - and surrender.	Solomon Exakiel - 21 Simon Levy - 16 Jonas Jonas - 16	1 1 -	5 - -	-- A part of this plot of ground formed a part of the garden of No. 11, till the year 1807.
14	Ditto	Fanny Belle	-- A small tenement, and garden behind, adjoining to the west side of No. 7.	- - -	- - -	- - -	rent free.	6 - -	In good repair.

15	Ditto	George Bryant	Six small tenements, with small gardens, adjoining No. 34.	11st June 1774	58	George Bryant - 11 Isaac Bryant - 9 William Lemon Bryant 5	- 12 6	48	-	In good repair.
16	Ditto	Mary Whitney, now Michael Welsford.	A dwelling-house, courtyard and garden, let in 5 tenements, on the north side of Magdalen-street, adjoining to Wynard's almshouses, on the west side thereof.	11st Mar. 1781	70	William Furse - 30 Richard Bidwell - 30 William Geary - 21	- 12 6	14	-	In bad repair.
17	Saint Sidwell	John Hewett	A dwelling-house, stables, outhouses, courtyard and garden, known by the sign of the Buller's Arms, formerly the Antelope, situated on the south-east side of Saint Sidwell-street, and another dwelling-house, courtyard and garden adjoining, and two tenements behind, extending to a lane, called Cheek's-lane.	14th July 1781 21st Dec. 1813, for 1 life.	120	Elizabeth Bowman - 23 Lessee - - - 37	1 1 -	107	-	The two houses fronting to St. Sidwell-street, rebuilt by the lessee within a few years. The whole in good repair.
18	Ditto	Rev. Jonas Dennis	An undivided moiety of a field, at the bottom of Longbrooke-street, containing 1 A. 2 R. 14 P.	30th July 1804, for 3 lives.	42	Lessee - - 29 Rev. John Dennis - 27	- 6 8	4 9	-	The other moiety of this field is the property of the lessee.
19	Broadcliff, Devon	William Troyte, esq. now Rev. Dr. Troyte.	A cottage, and six fields of land and coppice, containing about 15 acres, called Spreydon.	9th April 1793, for 3 lives.	50	Edward Troyte, clerk 28 Arethusa Troyte - 20	- 10 -	18	-	The cottage is in bad repair. By the terms of the lease, the lessee is empowered either to let down the buildings, or allow them to stand.
20	Dawlish	John Newcombe, esq. now Rev. J. Templer.	Three fields, called Magdalen Parks, containing 9 A. & 1 P.	21st Aug. 1782	35 17 6	Sarah Newcombe - 28 William Newcombe - 24	- 8 -	32	-	
21	YEARLY TENANTS.									
22	Trinity	Elizabeth Downe	A small tenement, at the bottom of Magdalen-street, opposite the hospital.	-	-	-	6 6 -	fair rent	-	The expense of repairs, and the poor's rate of these four tenements, are paid out of the funds of the charity.
23		Richard Salter	ditto	-	-	-	5 6 -	ditto	-	
24		Joseph Hill	ditto	-	-	-	6 6 -	ditto	-	
24		Humphrey Ley	ditto	-	-	-	6 6 -	ditto	-	

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25	Trinity	William Dingle	CHIEF RENTS. - - Lands in Southgate- street, on the east side there- of, near Trinity church.	-	£. s. d.	-	£. s. d. - 4 -		
26	St. Mary Major.	Messrs. Cross and Sparkes.	- - A tenement in Guinea- street, fronting to Milk-lane.	-	-	-	- 5 -		
27	- Ditto	Samuel Carpenter	- - A tenement at the lower end of Guinea-street, at the corner turning down to Billiter-lane.	-	-	-	- 2 6		
28	St. George	Messrs. Foot & Brown	- - A tenement, now divided into two tenements, hereto- fore in the possession of one Phillip Forewell, situate in the Butcher-row, opposite the passage that leads into the corn-market.	-	-	-	- 4 -		
29	St. Petrock	Heirs of George Speke, esq.	- - A corner house on the north-east, fronting to North- gate-street, and on the south- east to Fore-street.	-	-	-	- 4 -		
30	St. Pancras	William Lee	- - A tenement in Fore- street, a little above the Guildhall, formerly the lands of -- Parsons.	-	-	-	- 10 -		
31	Allhallows, Goldsmith- street.	John Tuckfield, esq.	- - A tenement, being a corner house, at the higher end of Goldsmith-street, opposite to Allhallows church.	-	-	-	- 2 -		
32	Trinity	Parishioners of Trinity	- - A tenement, fronting to Southgate-street, and on the back part, adjoining to the Lamb Inn.	-	-	-	- 1 6		
33	Dawlish	The Rev. John Templer	Lands, called Penniwells	-	-	-	- 5 -		
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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Exeter*.

A LIST of the Aldermen, Justices of the Peace for the City and County of Exeter for the last Twenty Years, with their Professions and Trades.

John Dennis, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Woollen Draper.
Benjamin Honycomb Walker, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Apothecary.
*George Westlake, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
*Reuben Phillips, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Chemist.
John Pinhey, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Brewer.
Joseph Gattey, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
Jonathan Worthy, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
Thomas Floud, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Banker.
Charles Collyns, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Banker.
Samuel White, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Brewer.
Edward Upham, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Bookseller.
John Hore, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Brewer.
*William Lee, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Chemist.
*John Hart, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
*Henry Blackall, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
*Robert Rogers Sanders, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
*John Harris, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
*William Crockett, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.

Those marked with a (\*) are the present acting magistrates.

The eight senior members of the Corporation are Aldermen, and Justices of the Peace *virtute officii*.

*Edward Gattey*, Town Clerk.

A LIST of the Mayors of the City of Exeter for the last Twenty Years (who are Justices of the Peace *virtute officii*), with their Professions and Trades.

1812.—William Lee, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Chemist.
1813.—Benjamin William Johnson, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon
1814.—Burnett Patch, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
1815.—John Hart, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1816.—John William Williams, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Chemist.
1817.—Samuel White, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Brewer.
1818.—Charles Brake, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
1819.—Thomas Floud, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Banker.
1820.—Henry Blackall, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1821.—Robert Rogers Sanders, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
1822.—George Galloway, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1823.—John Harris, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
1824.—William Crockett, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
1825.—Humphry Hill Pinhey, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Brewer.
1826.—William Payne, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1827.—John Hart, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1828.—Henry Blackall, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1829.—John Haddy James, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
1830.—Robert Rogers Sanders, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
1831.—Paul Measor, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.
1832.—William Kennaway, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
1833.—Henry Blackall, esquire	-	-	-	-	-	Not in trade.

*Edward Gattey*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF EYE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE estates subject to charitable purposes, and under the control and direction of the Corporation of Eye, consist of the following properties, viz. :—

Of a messuage and land at Bedfield and Worlingworth, containing 26 A. & 9 P., let at the rent of 40*l.* a year. This land was, by the Will of Francis Kent, dated 18th September 1593, given to six inhabitants of Eye, upon trust, to apply the rents in providing an usher for teaching grammar and writing in the grammar school of Eye, to all such children of Eye, Horham, Allington and Bedfield as should be put into the school, and to teach them to write, which usher was to be chosen by the trustees for the time being.

The rents of this property (after deducting repairs) have been applied according to the directions of the Will.

Of several pieces of land at Gissing, in Norfolk, containing 13 A. & 6 P., now let at the rent of 23*l.* a year. This land was purchased with the sum of 200*l.*, directed by the Will of Edward Mallows, dated 5th December, 12 James 1st, to be laid out in the purchase of lands of inheritance, and settled in fee, in trust, to apply the yearly profits thereof towards the maintenance of two or three scholars born in Eye, who should be resident in either of the universities of Cambridge or Oxford; and if none resident, then for the benefit and better maintenance of the free grammar school in Eye, or for the relief of the poor in the same town.

The rents of this property have been from time to time applied for the benefit of the poor of Eye.

Also of an annuity of 1*l.* 12*s.* issuing out of lands in Cranley Hamlet, in Eye, purchased with a sum of 20*l.* bequeathed by the Will of Matthew Hilton in 1640, and directed by his Will to be paid to the churchwardens of Eye, and to be distributed by them amongst the poorest and most ancient persons of the town of Eye.

This annuity has been received by the Corporation, and applied by the churchwardens towards the relief of the poor of Eye, as directed by the Will.

Also of certain lands lying in Newton, in Suffolk, containing about ten acres, purchased with the sum of 100*l.* given by Thomas Herring, esq. in his lifetime. The land purchased with this money (with other land adjoining thereto, belonging to the Corporation of Eye, and containing altogether 4*3* acres), are now let at the rent of 45*l.* a year.

The whole of this rent has been received, and applied by the Corporation of Eye to the relief and support of the poor and necessitous inhabitants of the town and borough, and the payment of the rents of their houses, and such like occasions, although, in fact, there is no specific declaration of the trusts to which the money was to be applied in the original conveyance of the land to trustees on the 13th August, 10 Charles I.

Also of two cottages in Magdalen-street, in Eye, which were originally conveyed to trustees by Edward Golding, by deed dated 26th November, 18th Elizabeth, to the intent that the yearly rents should be employed to the use of the poor inhabitants in the town, at the discretion of the trustees.

Those cottages are now, and have for many years past, been occupied rent-free by poor families, put in them by the bailiffs for the time being.

Eye, February 26th, 1833.

Geo. Warner Lawton, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Eye.

1813.	{ Thomas Chenery - - Farmer.	1823.	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.
	{ John Manning - - Farmer.		{ Thomas French - - Solicitor.
1814.	{ John Ranson - - Gentleman.	1824.	{ John Manning - - Farmer.
	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.		{ Benjamin Fincham - Farmer.
1815.	{ John Cobbold - - Brewer.	1825.	{ Thomas Chenery - - Farmer.
	{ Robert Pretymen - - Surgeon.		{ Robert Pretymen - - Surgeon.
1816.	{ John Ranson - - Gentleman.	1826.	{ Thomas French - - Solicitor.
	{ Samuel French - - Farmer.		{ Benjamin Fincham - Farmer.
1817.	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.	1827.	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.
	{ Thomas French - - Solicitor.		{ John Manning - - Farmer.
1818.	{ John Ranson - - Gentleman.	1828.	{ Benjamin Fincham - Farmer.
	{ Robert Pretymen - - Surgeon.		{ Thomas Chenery, jun. - Farmer.
1819.	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.	1829.	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.
	{ Thomas French - - Solicitor.		{ John Manning - - Farmer.
1820.	{ Thomas Chenery - - Farmer.	1830.	{ Benjamin Fincham - Farmer.
	{ Samuel French - - Farmer.		{ Thomas Chenery, jun. - Farmer.
1821.	{ Thomas Leatherdale - Grocer.	1831.	{ John Manning - - Farmer.
	{ Thomas French - - Solicitor.		{ Thomas French - - Solicitor.
1822.	{ Thomas Chenery - - Farmer.	1832.	{ Robert Knipe Cobbold - Brewer.
	{ John Cobbold - - Brewer.		{ John Wythe - - Gentleman.

Geo. Warner Lawton, Town Clerk.

### CORPORATION OF FALMOUTH.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Mrs. *Ann Davel*, late of Chiswick, in the county of Middlesex, widow, deceased, by her Will, dated 13th September 1779, bequeathed to her executors therein named, 300*l.* East India Annuities, upon trust, to pay the dividends of the first year which should accrue after the death of her brother, towards the maintenance and support of such poor widow of the town of Falmouth as should be recommended by the Mayor and Corporation for the time being of Falmouth; and the dividends of the second year to be applied towards the clothing and putting out apprentice the son of a poor widow of the same town, to be recommended as aforesaid, and in like manner each year alternately for ever. For many years I believe the dividends were applied as directed by the Will; after which, from the death of executors and of representatives of executors, difficulties arose, and it sometimes happened that four or five years at a time remained unapplied, and, eventually, about the year 1822, a petition was presented to the Right honourable the Master of the Rolls, by David Gordon and William Stanley, merchants (the then representatives of the testatrix), praying that the said sum of 300*l.* East India Annuities, which had been engrafted in the Three per cent. Reduced Annuities, might be paid into the name of the Accountant-general of the High Court of Chancery, and that a scheme might be approved for the application of the trust funds. On the 21st of May 1822, it was ordered by the Master of the Rolls, that David Gordon and William Stanley should transfer the 300*l.* Reduced Annuities into the name of the Accountant-general, and that a proper scheme should be laid before one of the Masters of the Court for the future regulation of the charity, and for the purpose of carrying the charitable intention of the said *Ann Davel* into execution. It happened also, that prior to 1822 there had been no application on the part of any poor boy to be bound apprentice for several years, whereby an accumulation of the dividends arose; and in pursuance of the order of the Court, the Mayor and Corporation proposed, that the dividends should in future be wholly appropriated to the use of poor widows of the town aforesaid, and annually

annually distributed to such as should come within the meaning of the testatrix's Will. In 1823, a Decree was made ending in the following words: "That the dividends of the said charity fund for such alternate years as, under the said testatrix's Will, the same would be to be applied in placing out poor persons to be apprentices, when such persons shall not present themselves, shall be wholly applied in the same way as the dividends thereof for the intervening years are to be applied to the relief of poor widows; and upon consideration of the matter, I am of opinion the said scheme is a proper scheme for the future regulation of the said charity, and for the purpose of carrying the charitable intentions of the testatrix, Ann Davel, into execution; all which," &c.

No apprentice since the date of the Decree has applied, although notice for claimants has been annually given, and therefore the dividends have been wholly paid to widows. The current year only now remains to be applied.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Falmouth.*

THE following are the names of the gentlemen who have held the office of Mayor from the year 1811, and when elected, viz.:

- Monday, 30th September 1811.—Francis Pender (myself), attorney-at-law.
- 29th September 1812.—Same Mr. Pender re-elected.
- 29th September 1813.—Mr. George Snell Williams, a respectable man and of good property; formerly a grocer in a large way at Falmouth.
- 29th September 1814.—In consequence of the majority of the members of the Corporation being absent, no election took place, and Mr. Williams held over.
- 29th September 1815.—The same Mr. Pender was again elected.
- Monday, 30th September 1816.—Mr. James Bull, attorney-at-law.
- 29th September 1817.—The majority of the Corporation being absent, no election was had, and Mr. Bull held over.
- 29th September 1818.—Mr. Andrew Young, attorney-at-law.
- 29th September 1819.—The majority being absent, Mr. Young held over.
- 29th September 1820.—Mr. William Carne, merchant, a large adventurer in mines in this county, and one of the firm of Carne, Lake and Carnes, bankers, Falmouth, was elected.
- 29th September 1821.—The majority being absent, Mr. Carne held over.
- Monday, 30th September 1822.—Mr. John Dunstan, formerly a merchant carrying on trade between this place and Lisbon in Manchester goods to a very considerable amount, until the trade ceased, when he retired in good pecuniary circumstances. He then entered into partnership in a paper manufactory; since which he has failed, and has quitted the town of Falmouth.
- 29th September 1823.—Mr. Edward Clifton Carne, a brother of Mr. William Carne, and a partner with him in his various business.
- 29th September 1824.—The majority being absent, Mr. E. C. Carne held over.
- 29th September 1825.—Mr. John Vigurs, surgeon.
- 29th September 1826.—The majority being absent, Mr. Vigurs held over.
- 29th September 1827.—Mr. Theophilus Samuel Beauchant, an officer on the half-pay of the marine artillery, holding the commission of lieutenant in the Cornwall militia, and latterly a wholesale brewer.
- 29th September 1828.—The majority being absent, Mr. Beauchant held over. He has since quitted Falmouth for America.
- 29th September 1829.—Mr. James Cornish, surgeon.
- 29th September 1830.—The majority being absent, Mr. Cornish held over.
- 29th September 1831.—Mr. William Carne (the gentleman before mentioned.)
- 29th September 1832.—The majority being absent, Mr. Carne held over, and is now the present mayor.

The last preceding mayor has always acted as a justice of the peace.

Whatever arrangements are made as to corporate magistrates in this town, it would be very desirable that they should have a concurrent jurisdiction over that part of the borough of Penryn which adjoins the town of Falmouth.

Falmouth, 16th February 1833.

*Fra<sup>r</sup> Pender, Town Clerk.*

Sir,

Falmouth, 19th February 1833.

WHEN I sent you my return of Corporate Magistrates the other day, I omitted to mention the name of Lord Wodehouse, who is the recorder of the town, and that Mr. Carne, the father of William and Edward Clifton Carne, and head of the firm in the bank, has a deputation from his lordship to act for him.

I omitted also to say that Mr. Young died a few years since, and that Mr. Bull has ceased to be a member of the Corporation.

S. M. Philipps, Esq.

I am, &c.

*Fra<sup>r</sup> Pender.*



## CORPORATION OF FAVERSHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITABLE FUNDS, and other Property.	HOW ACQUIRED.	The Purposes for which given.	How distributed and applied.	OBSERVATIONS.
A Farm in Faversham, consisting of 34 A. 3 R. 34 P. of arable land, and 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ A. 1 R. 4 P. and half a quarter of a perch, of pasture land; let on lease at 200 l. per annum.	-- By an Indenture, dated 10th December, 18th Henry VIII. (1526), between John, the Abbot of Saint Saviour's, Faversham, and the Convent, of the one part; and John Cole, clerk, of the second part; and the Warden and Fellows of All Souls, Oxford, of the third part; confirmed by a charter of Queen Elizabeth, 14th July, and in the 18th year of her reign.	-- That the brethren and novices might be taught the science of grammar by the Indenture. That boys and youths should be educated, instituted and instructed in grammar by the charter.	-- The master, who is appointed by the warden and six senior Fellows of All Souls, receives 180 l. annually; the remainder is applied by the mayor, jurats and commonalty in repairs, insurance and ordinary outgoings, in sustentation of the school and school farm, and there was a deficiency of 9 l. 18 s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. at the last annual audit.	-- Boys within five miles of the town are admitted with the consent of the mayor, and the school is conducted under rules established by the mayor, jurats and commonalty of Faversham, and the warden and six senior fellows of All Souls, Oxford; the latter receive annual accounts of the application of the revenue.
A Farm, consisting of a house and 313 A. & 9 P. of arable and pasture land, at Icklesham, in Sussex; let on lease at 595 l. per annum. A dwelling-house in Faversham, on lease, at 35 l. per annum. One other, on lease at 31 l. per annum; part of another, at a yearly rent of 1 l.	-- By Will of Henry Hatch, of Faversham, gent. dated 6th May, 25 Henry VIII. (1533).  Faversham, the highways within a mile of the said town, and the ornaments of the parish church of the said town, and to the obtaining the King's license.	-- Rents to be appropriated by the mayor, jurats and commonalty, to the use and maintenance of the haven and creek of the town of Faversham, the highways within a mile of the said town, and the ornaments of the parish church of the said town, and to the obtaining the King's license.  other ornaments for the church. The remainder of the funds is blended with the general funds of the town, of which there was a balance of 492 l. 16 s. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in hand at the last annual audit.	-- £. 80 is annually paid to Commissioners for paving, &c. the town, and considerable sums have been and continue to be, from time to time, expended in cleansing the creek, keeping up a sluice, maintaining a bridge, &c.; and providing an organ, paying an organist, supplying windows and stained glass, &c. The remainder of the funds is blended with the general funds of the town, of which there was a balance of 492 l. 16 s. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in hand at the last annual audit.	-- Shortly after the testator's decease, the Corporation, in pursuance of his intention, obtained the license, which cost 200 l. Presently after this, his heirs at law commenced a suit against his widow, which terminated in her favour. Some few years after this suit was ended, another was commenced by his widow against the Corporation to deprive them of this legacy, she producing and inrolling in the Ecclesiastical Court a forged Will, because, as it appeared by evidences in the cause, the Corporation would not consent to grant a lease of 31 years, at the rate of 40 l. a year, to commence from the time of her decease, to her relation. This suit lasted a great number of years in the Ecclesiastical Court and in Chancery, so that the expense of procuring the mortmain, with the interest thereof for 30 years, and of the law-suits in the whole, amounted unto upwards of 300 l. more than the full value of the estate bequeathed upon a fair estimation. The means used to support this great and continual expense by the Corporation were the divesting themselves of almost all their estates, consisting of many houses and several parcels of land; and when the money arising from thence was exhausted, the whole town was assessed several times, with an agreement to pay the individuals on recovering the estates. The orders for sale of the estates, and for the assessments (both for the purposes above-mentioned,) appear on record. Having thus diminished their general funds, it has been deemed reasonable that (the primary objects of the testator being first attended to) the surplus should go for general purposes, and the account has been so kept for the last 50 years and upwards.

An Annuity or rent-charge of 3 <i>l.</i> per annum, issuing out of land in Luddenham, Buckland and Murston, in Kent. Two several Annuities or rent-charges of 10 <i>l.</i> and 5 <i>l.</i> , issuing out of lands in Harty, near Faversham.	-- By Will of Thomas Stran-sham, of St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, gent., dated 6th October 1584. -- By Will of William Saker, of Faversham, gent., dated 16th May 1594.	-- To be applied by the mayor, or any such as he shall appoint, in wood, coal or money, to the poor people of Faversham. -- £. 10 to the use of the poor of Faversham, to be distributed by the mayor, jurats and commonalty, and 5 <i>l.</i> to be employed by them to use of a lecture in the church. -- 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> to be given, weekly, in bread, on Sundays or Fridays, at morning prayer, to such honest poor as the mayor and church-wardens shall think meet.	Generally given in coals, sometimes in money.  -- The 10 <i>l.</i> is given to poor widows for coals, and the 5 <i>l.</i> to the vicar for the lecture (laud-tax, and cost of receiving and paying deducted). There was a balance of 25 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> in hand at the last annual audit. Agreeably to the Will.
Two Houses in Faversham, let on leases at yearly rents; one at 13 <i>l.</i> per annum, the other at 10 <i>l.</i> per annum; and ground rent of three others, in Faversham, at 5 <i>s.</i> per annum each. An Annuity or rent-charge of 40 <i>s.</i> per annum, issuing out of the Red Lion, and also a house and garden in Faversham.	-- By Will of Thomas Mustard, of London, merchant, dated 10th July 1635.	-- To be bestowed by the mayor, jurats and commonalty towards the weekly Saturday's lecture.	Paid to the vicar.
A Farm, consisting of 29 A. 1 B. 15 P. of pasture land, at Saint Thomas the Apostle's, in Hurty, near Faversham, let on lease at 35 <i>l.</i> per annum. Four acres of land at Boughton, in Kent, let on lease at 5 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- By Will of Samuel Preston, of Faversham, gent., dated 26th June 1640.  -- By Will of John Castluch, of Faversham, esq., dated 20th May 1651.  -- By Will of Edward Spillett, of Faversham, gent., dated 20th September 1665.	-- Rent to be employed by the mayor, jurats and commonalty, in placing out poor children of Faversham apprentices. -- Profits to be distributed by the churchwardens and overseers in bread, that is to say, 12 pence every Lord's day to 12 poor widows, serving God, and hearing divine service in the afternoon, if the same would amount to so much. -- Rent to be bestowed by the mayor, jurats and commonalty, towards putting out poor children of the town and parish of Faversham, or for the relief of poor widows there.	Agreeably to the Will.  -- In premiums of 10 <i>l.</i> or 5 <i>l.</i> as deemed proper; in cases of the former, half at the time of binding, and the remainder when half the term of apprenticeship has expired. An order for clothes to the amount is given. There are payments to the amount of 30 <i>l.</i> to meet. A surplus has been invested in purchase of 300 <i>l.</i> Consols. There was a balance of 169 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> in hand at the last annual audit.
Two Messuages, with gardens and appurtenances, at Boughton, in Kent, let on lease at 8 <i>l.</i> per annum.  Six brick Houses, with gardens, in Preston-street, in Faversham.	-- By Will of William Spillett, of Faversham, gent., dated 9th March 1670.  -- By Will of Thomas Mendfield, of Faversham, gent., dated 26th July 1674.	-- The testator gave 1,000 <i>l.</i> towards erecting and endowing six almshouses for six poor widows of the town; and the executor within eight years (with the advice of the mayor, jurats and commonalty) to lay out 400 <i>l.</i> in buildings, and the residue in lands; the placing and removing of the widows to be by the mayor, jurats and commonalty, or the greater part of them.	For the relief of poor widows in coals.  -- The houses were built, but no estate was purchased; the Corporation, by advice of counsel, accepted 450 <i>l.</i> in lieu of the 600 <i>l.</i> ; the 450 <i>l.</i> was lent on bonds and was lost, but the Corporation from their general funds keep up the houses, and pay the widows 13 <i>l.</i> a piece, yearly, including (in the total of 78 <i>l.</i> ) 22 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> , the total amount of Peake's, Grueber's, Hogben's and Fawtrell's charities hereafter mentioned.

(continued.)

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

CHARITABLE FUNDS, and other Property.	HOW ACQUIRED.	The Purposes for which given.	How distributed and applied.	OBSERVATIONS.
£. 137. 10. New South Sea Annuities.	-- By Will, dated 20th May 1719, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas gave 20 <i>l.</i> By Will of James Berry, date unknown, he gave 60 <i>l.</i> , and in 1772 (how acquired is unknown) 62 <i>l.</i> were added to the fund. -- By Will of Thomas Napleton, of the city of Canterbury, esquire, dated 2d February 1721.	-- By Mrs. Thomas's Will, the interest of the 20 <i>l.</i> is under the management of the mayor, jurats and commonalty, to go towards the yearly expense of the charity school; and from the earliest account (1753) of half was to go towards the charity school, and the interest of the other half distributed in bread to the poor. The interest of the 62 <i>l.</i> is, and appears always to have been, applicable to the school. -- In trust, to found an hospital at Tanner's Green, in Faversham, for six poor old men, who should each have 5 <i>l.</i> per annum in money, and every two years a new coat; the overplus of the rents to be applied for the benefit of the said six men.	As mentioned in the answer as to "The Purposes for which given." Mr. Berry's 60 <i>l.</i> , the interest of the other half distributed in bread to the poor, and appears always to have been, applicable to the school. -- Six old men receive 25 <i>l.</i> a piece per annum, and the coals as directed. The estates are kept in repair, and there was a balance of 235 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> in hand at the last annual audit.	
A Farm, consisting of a house and 70 acres of arable and pasture land, at Hern-hill, in Kent, let on lease at 138 <i>l.</i> per annum; an orchard, containing one acre and a quarter, in Faversham, let on lease at 22 <i>l.</i> per annum; one other orchard, containing 2 acres, in Faversham, let on lease at 18 <i>l.</i> per annum; a piece of pasture, in Faversham, containing one acre and a quarter, let on lease at 6 <i>l.</i> per annum; eight cottages in Faversham, let to tenants at will at 6 <i>l.</i> per annum; a piece, about of land, in Faversham, part of which is occupied by the hospital, and the remainder is used therewith as garden ground.	-- By Will of Elizabeth Peake, of Faversham, widow, dated 5th December 1787. -- By Will of Ann Shearwin, of Holy Cross, Westgate, Canterbury, widow, dated 25th February 1802. -- By Will of Henry Grueber, of Sloane-street, Chelsea, gent., dated 22d August 1805. -- By Will of Margaret Hogben, of Faversham, widow, dated 30th April 1807. -- By Will of Mary Fowtrell, of St. Alphage, Canterbury, spinster, dated 5th May 1813.	-- Interest to be for ever paid by the mayor, jurats and commonalty to the six poor widows, equally, in Mendfield's almshouses, in Faversham. -- £. 50 money given to the rector or vicar of Faversham, to be by him paid and applied for the use of the Sunday school there. -- Interest to be for ever paid by the mayor, jurats and commonalty to the six poor widows, equally, in Mendfield's Almshouses in Faversham. -- The like. £. 200 stock was given by the Will, but the estate proving insufficient, the sums mentioned only were obtained. -- £. 250 money given to be laid out in purchase of stock, in some or one of the public funds, in the names of the mayor or jurats of Faversham, upon trust, to receive and pay all the clear dividends amongst the poor widows in the six almshouses above-mentioned.	Paid annually. - ditto. - ditto. - ditto. - ditto.	
£. 78. 14. 10. Three per Cent. Consols.				
£. 200 Old South Sea Annuities.				
£. 92. 7. 8. Reduced Annuities, and £. 50. 6. 7. Three per Cent. Consols.				
£. 375. 4. 8. Reduced Annuities.				

£. 176. 4. 7. Three per Cent. Consols.	-- By Will of Robert Collier, of Faversham, gent., dated 16th May 1814.	-- £. 150 Four per Cent. Bank Annuities, given to the mayor, jurats and commonalty, to receive the dividends, and every year in October purchase coals, and equally between the above-mentioned poor widows.	Distributed annually.	-- No record of this benefaction existing, inquiries have just now been made on the subject, and the intentions of the donors having been ascertained to be as unmentioned in the Third Column, such intention will in future be effected.
£. 100 Reduced Annuities	-- A donation, in 1817, by the four daughters of the late William Bennett, of Faversham, and Elizabeth his wife, to the mayor, jurats and commonalty.	-- The interest to be distributed, in bread, amongst the poor of the town of Faversham, on Christmas eve in every year, in perpetuation of similar distributions, to the amount of two guineas annually, made by Mr. and Mrs. Bennett while living.	-- This has been distributed in coals to such necessitous persons, and at such seasons as most required the charity: henceforth it will be distributed in bread.	
£. 50 in Faversham Savings Bank.	-- £. 50 money relinquished by Thomas Barnes, esq. in his mayoralty in 1825, from 100 l. allowed him for expenses, but through particular circumstances uncalled for, and invested by him.	Interest to be paid to the six widows in Mendfield's almshouses.	Paid annually.	
£. 1,850 stock, Three per Cent. Reduced.	-- By Will of George Beckett, of Faversham, gent., dated 16th September 1830.	-- £. 2,000 stock in the Three per Cent. Consols to the mayor, jurats and commonalty, to receive the dividends, and lay out the same in the purchase of further sums, and continue so to do until the capital should yield over and above all expenses the yearly sum of 67 l. 12 s., then to pay 52 l. per annum to the vicar of Faversham for the time being, and the remainder to the six widows in Mendfield's almshouses.	-- £. 200 stock was sold, and by the produce and interest money received of the executors, the legacy duty, amounting to 165 l. 10 s. and expenses of 3 l. 3 s. 3 d. were paid. The dividends of the 1,800 l. have been received, and laid out in accumulation of the 1,800 l. and of its increase. The stock now amounts to 1,931 l. 10 s. 11 d.	
£. 383. 6. 8. Three per Cent. Consols.	- - ditto.	-- So much stock in the Three per Cent. Consols as will yield an annual interest of 10 l. and all charges, upon trust, that the mayor and jurats yearly pay 5 l. a piece to two necessitous housekeepers of and within the town of Faversham, not receiving alms, and being of good character, and of the established Episcopal Church of England, and not frequenters of methodist meetings, or dissenting places of worship.	-- £. 10 yearly is applied to two housekeepers, 5 l. a piece, and 30 s. per annum is paid to the town clerk and chamberlain for charges.	

CORPORATE OFFICERS—Faversham.

During the last Twenty Year.	Within the last Twenty Year.
<p>John Bennett. Henry Wright, gentleman. John Thomas Giraud, gentleman. Thomas Barnes, builder. Samuel Shepherd, brewer. James Shepherd, gentleman.</p>	<p>Robert Collier, gentleman (dead). Thomas Bennett, gentleman (dead). Byng Baker, grocer (dead). Francis Perkins, agriculturist (dead). George Chambers, gentleman (dead). Henry Cobb, agriculturist (dead). John Downe, miller (dead.)</p>
<p>Faversham, 8th June 1833.</p>	
<p>Wm<sup>r</sup> Jefferys, jun. Town Clerk.</p>	

## CORPORATION OF FOLKESTONE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

HOW ACQUIRED,  
AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH CHARITY WAS GIVEN.PRESENT MODE OF  
DISTRIBUTION.

By Deed of Gift, dated 26th July, 11th of Elizabeth, *William Jacob*, of Folkestone, jurat, gave to the mayor, jurats, and eleven other persons, three acres of land in Folkestone, to the use of the poor of the town and parish of Folkestone aforesaid, the profits whereof were to be disposed of annually by the churchwardens of Folkestone aforesaid, with the consent of the mayor and jurats of the town aforesaid for the time being, to be expended on Christmas-eve and Good Friday, in equal portions.

By one other Deed of Gift, dated 2d December, in the 33d of Elizabeth, *Thomas Stone*, of Saltwood, in Kent, gave to the mayor of Folkestone, three persons described as jurats, and three others, a messuage and one acre and a half of land, within the liberty of Folkestone aforesaid, to the use of the poor of the town and parish of Folkestone aforesaid, the profits whereof were to be disposed of annually by the collectors of the poor of the town and parish aforesaid, with the consent of the mayor and jurats of the town aforesaid for the time being, for ever.

By one other Deed of Gift, dated 29th April, in the 37th of Elizabeth, *William Jenkins*, jurat, *William Kennett*, late mayor, and *Bartholomew Pyscinge*, formerly jurat of the town of Folkestone, gave to the mayor and two jurats of the same town and eight other persons, three pieces of land, containing eight acres, situate in the parish of Folkestone, with the intention that the profits thereof should for ever be disposed of and distributed in and to the use, relief and behoof of the poor inhabitants of the town and parish of Folkestone, by the hands of the collectors of the poor or other fit persons there, and under the superintendence and consent of the mayor and jurats of the said town.

*Daniel Harvey* and his brethren gave to the town and corporation of Folkestone, 100*l.* for the purpose of raising the annual sum of 5*l.* 10*s.* with which two shillings worth of good wholesome wheat bread was to be provided weekly, and distributed upon every Sabbath day amongst twelve of the poorest inhabitants, householders of the said town, at the discretion of the mayor and two or more jurats; the overplus was to defray the expense of baking. With this bequest an annuity of 5*l.* 10*s.* was purchased, issuing out of a piece of land called Wiltie, and secured by an indenture dated 20th of December 1650.

*Mrs. Ward*, widow, and *Mrs. Mitchell*, widow, gave 60*l.* to the use thereafter named by the mayor and jurats of Folkestone, and the profits thereof, to be yearly, for ever, received by the mayor of Folkestone, and the said mayor and jurats to lay out yearly for "wast coates" for several of the poor of the said town of Folkestone, such as should be most objects of charity, as the mayor and jurats should think fit to dispose the same unto. With this money six acres of land in the parish of Folkestone were purchased, and conveyed to the mayor, seven jurats and divers other trustees, by a deed dated 4th January 1692.

*John Harvey*, jurat, by his Will, dated 15th November 1792, gave to the mayor and jurats of the said town, the interest of 200*l.* Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, to be by them distributed between Christmas-day and Candlemas-day every year, to twenty poor families, inhabitants of the said town, 6*s.* each, in money or clothes, at the discretion of the said mayor and jurats.

*Ellis Wolfe*, esquire, by Will, dated 27th November 1816, gave to the mayor and churchwardens for the time being of Folkestone, in Kent, 500*l.*, to be invested in the funds or other Government security, the interest of which was to be distributed amongst the poor inhabitants of the said place on the 5th of February yearly, in the name and as the charitable donation of *Ellis Wolfe*, a Jew, for the relief of his town's people. The money, after payment of expenses, was invested, and produced 495*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* Three pounds per centum Consolidated Annuities.

- - All these lands are now vested in seven gentlemen as trustees (the mayor being one), and produce the yearly sum of 45*l.* 15*s.*; 7*l.* of which is given away at Christmas eve, and 7*l.* on Good Friday, to the poor of the town, at 6*d.* each, and the remainder is applied in putting out one poor boy apprentice nearly every year, and in the purchase of bread, which is distributed to the poor in equal portions in winter.

- - This gift is distributed by the mayor and jurats exactly according to the directions of the donors.

- - This land now produces the yearly sum of 24*l.*, and is applied in the purchase of flannel, &c. which is distributed among forty poor widows, inhabitants of the town.

- - Six shillings each is annually given by the mayor and jurats to twenty poor old men of the town.

- - The dividends, amounting to nearly 15*l.* yearly, are distributed annually on the day named, half by the churchwarden and half by the mayor and jurats. The portion distributed by the mayor and jurats is given to thirty poor inhabitants, at 5*s.* each.

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## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

HOW ACQUIRED, AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH CHARITY WAS GIVEN.	PRESENT MODE OF DISTRIBUTION,
<p><i>Thomas Saffery</i>, gentleman, by his Will, dated 25th March 1822, gave all his property to his wife for life; and after her decease, he directed his executors to invest in Government or real securities so much money as would produce the clear yearly sum of 20<i>l.</i>, upon trust to pay same to his sister for life; and after her decease, to transfer such principal money into the names of the mayor and jurats of the said town, who out of the dividends were to expend 7<i>l.</i> in the purchase of clothes, to be by them distributed to twelve poor families, inhabitant parishioners of the town of Folkestone, dissenters as well as church people, yearly, on St. Thomas's-day; 3<i>l.</i> yearly for the purchase of meat and other ingredients for making soup, or such other charitable purposes (in case there should be no soup society in Folkestone) as they should think proper; and the remaining sum of 10<i>l.</i> to be distributed to twenty poor widows, inhabitants of the said town, on the 1st March yearly.</p> <p>And the said testator gave the residue of the monies to arise from the sale of his property to be invested in the names of the mayor and jurats in Government funds or on real securities, upon trust, to expend 10<i>l.</i> in the purchase of coals, to be distributed, on the 1st of February in every year, to such poor families resident in the town as the mayor and jurats should think proper; 5<i>l.</i> in the purchase of shoes, to be distributed among poor persons residents of Folkestone, as well dissenters as church people; remainder of interest and dividends to be laid out in the purchase of strong warm clothes, to be distributed in the same manner, on the 25th of January yearly.</p> <p><i>Margaret Saffery</i>, widow, by her Will, dated 10th August 1831, gave to the mayor and jurats of the town of Folkestone 300<i>l.</i> Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, upon trust, to pay the interest and dividends to Sophia Dangerfield for her life; and after her decease, to lay out the said interest and dividends in the purchase of clothes, to be distributed by the mayor and jurats annually, on St. Thomas's-day, to eight poor female orphans, natives of the said town, who shall not be under the age of fifteen years, and who shall have been in service one year, and bear a good character for honesty.</p> <p>And said testatrix gave the residue of her property to her executrices, upon trust, to transfer the produce thereof to the mayor and jurats of the said town, to be by them invested in the Government or real securities, the interest and dividends whereof were to be laid out in the purchase of threepenny loaves of good white bread, to be distributed every Sabbath-day, at the discretion of the said mayor and jurats, to as many poor old persons, inhabitants and belonging to the said town, as the interest and dividends would admit of.</p>	<p>-- This money has been invested in the purchase of 666<i>l.</i> 13<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i> Three per Cent. Consols. The wife is dead, but the other life annuitant is yet living.</p> <p>-- Some part of this residue out on securities the executors have not yet been able to recover; and the remaining part has not been long enough in the possession of the mayor and jurats for the interest to become divisible.</p> <p>-- The annuitant for life is yet living.</p> <p>-- This residue has been invested in the purchase of 312<i>l.</i> 3<i>s.</i> stock, the dividends annually arising from which are laid out and applied as directed by said testatrix's Will.</p>

Folkestone, 14th February 1833.

Ralph Tho' Brockman, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Folkestone.

John Bateman, Esq.	mayor	-	Surgeon.		
Thomas Baker	-	-	Gentleman.		
John Minter	-	-	Gentleman	-	dead.
Joseph Sladen	-	-	Gentleman	-	dead.
John Gill	-	-	Surgeon.		
John Castle	-	-	Gentleman	-	dead.
James Major	-	-	Surgeon.		
James Cullen	-	-	Gentleman	-	resigned.
Henry Butcher	-	-	Gentleman.		
Thomas Farley	-	jurats	Gentleman	-	resigned.
John Hambrook	-	-	Hair-dresser	-	resigned.
Richard Hart	-	-	Gentleman.		
Richard Cullen	-	-	Gentleman	-	resigned.
Thomas Steddy Baker	-	-	Gentleman.		
John Hart	-	-	Gentleman	-	resigned.
Richard Hobday	-	-	Gentleman.		
John Minter, jun.	-	-	Gentleman.		
George Stone	-	-	Gentleman.		

Folkestone, 14th February 1833.

Ralph Tho' Brockman, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF FORDWICH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Walter Bigg*, one of the jurats of Fordwich, by his Will, dated 5th December 1631, devised by his lands lying in Westbeer and Sturry, in Kent, for the relief of poor aged people of Fordwich for ever, the profits to be distributed by the mayor and jurats for the time being of the said town, one-half on Good Friday, and the other half on the Friday before Christmas, yearly, for ever; and the testator gave the letting of the lands to the mayor and jurats.

The lands comprise nine acres, now let for 20*l.* per annum, which is distributed by the mayor and jurats half yearly, in conformity to the Will of the donor.

*Sarah Edwards*, of Fordwich, widow, by her Will, dated 19th December 1819, directed that 100*l.* should be funded in the Navy Five per Cents. and the interest paid yearly into the hands of the mayor for the time being, to be by him distributed to the poor of the parish of Fordwich in bread.

The interest of this fund, which now consists of 86*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.* New Three-and-a-Half per Cents. is distributed by the mayor at Christmas yearly, pursuant to the Will.

*Anthony Jennings*, of Fordwich, esquire, by his Will, dated 19th February 1830, bequeathed 100*l.* sterling to the mayor, recorder and town clerk for the time being, in trust, out of the interest, to provide a new coat and hat for the town serjeant once in every five years, to be computed from his decease, and to dispose of the residue of such interest, if any, in repairing the court hall. The testator died 15th May 1830.

This bequest has not yet come into operation. The legacy, deducting duty, was invested in the purchase of 100*l.* Three per Cent. Consols, and the trustees receive and accumulate the dividends.

## The Corporation also possess:

	Per Annum.		
	£.	s.	d.
A quay and wharf, and land connected with them, adjoining the river Stour, let at -	7	-	-
The dues arising from one of the bridges over the Stour, let at - - - -	5	5	-
A piece of land, containing half an acre, let on lease for 99 years, which will expire at Michaelmas next, at - - - - -	-	2	6
<i>Note.</i> —A dwelling-house and offices were erected by the lessee on part of this land, and the premises when relet will probably produce from <i>l.</i> to <i>l.</i> per annum.			
The right of fishery in part of the River Stour, within the liberties of the town, let at - - - - -	2	2	-
The right of fishery in the other part of the River Stour within the liberties is exercised by the members of the Corporation by setting a wear and net every night, from the beginning of June till the latter end of August, and by which a species of trout, called Fordwich trout, is taken. The average number of fish taken annually for the last 20 years is about 56; and the average annual value of them about 28 <i>l.</i> Each member has a night in the wear by turns, according to a regulation laid down, and a few non-members have nights by courtesy.			
[It does not appear how any of this property was acquired.]			
The dean and chapter of Canterbury pay, by way of contribution, for the use of the crane and wharf - - - - -	1	-	-
The Corporation also derive from publicans and others carrying on business within their liberties small payments, of about - - - - -	1	15	-
And they occasionally derive money from persons purchasing or taking up the freedom of the town.			

At present they have a balance in hand from the above different sources of about 95*l.* which is more than the usual amount.

They apply their monies and income in repairing two-carriage bridges over the Stour, within their liberties, in repairing the court hall, and in repairing the wear and nets, as occasion requires; also in payment of a fee to the recorder for holding the annual sessions, and of a salary to the town serjeant, and to a water bailiff when employed, and of other casual corporate expenses.

*Steph<sup>n</sup> Plummer*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Fordwich.

John Abbott, brewer.  
Friend Tomlin, esq.  
Cumberland Woodruff, surgeon.  
Isaac Pidduck, farmer and grazier.  
Friend Anthony Tomlin, esq.

John Friend, esq.  
Anthony Jennings, esq.  
Richard Hambrook, gentleman.  
John Wootton, gentleman.

*Steph<sup>n</sup> Plummer*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF GLASTONBURY.

This Corporation is not in the possession, nor has it the order or disposition of any Charitable Funds, or of any other property, given for any particular purpose.

*R<sup>d</sup> Periam Prat*, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Glastonbury.*

From Michaelmas 1812 to Michaelmas 1813.  
Mayor - - Jonathan Payne Newman, Grazier.  
Recorder - Edmund Griffith, Esquire, Barrister at Law.

Late Mayor, John Down, Grazier.

From Michaelmas 1813 to Michaelmas 1814.  
Mayor - - Charles Brown, late Captain in the 2d Somerset Militia.

Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said Jonathan Payne Newman.

From Michaelmas 1814 to Michaelmas 1815.  
Mayor - - John Bull Emery, Corn Factor.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said Charles Brown.

From Michaelmas 1815 to Michaelmas 1816.  
Mayor - - Robert Bath, Grazier.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said John Bull Emery.

From Michaelmas 1816 to Michaelmas 1817.  
Mayor - - John Jeanes Roach, Gentleman.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said Robert Bath.

From Michaelmas 1817 to Michaelmas 1818.  
Mayor - - John Bond, Surgeon.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said John Jeanes Roach.

From Michaelmas 1818 to Michaelmas 1819.  
Mayor - - The said Jonathan Payne Newman.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said John Bond.

From Michaelmas 1819 to Michaelmas 1820.  
Mayor - - The said Charles Brown.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith.  
Late Mayor, The said Jonathan Payne Newman.

From Michaelmas 1820 to Michaelmas 1821.  
Mayor - - The said John Bull Emery.  
Recorder - The said Edmund Griffith until 30th April 1821, when he resigned, and William Dickinson, Esquire, then M. P. for Somerset, from 9th July 1821 to Michaelmas following.

Late Mayor, The said Charles Brown.

From Michaelmas 1821 to Michaelmas 1822.  
Mayor - - Thomas Roach, Captain 2d Somerset Militia.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said John Bull Emery.

From Michaelmas 1822 to Michaelmas 1823.  
Mayor - - The said John Jeanes Roach.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Thomas Roach.

From Michaelmas 1823 to Michaelmas 1824.  
Mayor - - John Holman, Gentleman.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said John Jeanes Roach.

From Michaelmas 1824 to Michaelmas 1825.  
Mayor - - The said Robert Bath.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said John Holman.

From Michaelmas 1825 to Michaelmas 1826.  
Mayor - - The said Jonathan Payne Newman.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Robert Bath.

From Michaelmas 1826 to Michaelmas 1827.  
Mayor - - The said John Bull Emery.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Jonathan Payne Newman.

From Michaelmas 1827 to Michaelmas 1828.  
Mayor - - Henry Hodge, Captain Royal Marines, until 27th December 1827, when George Bond, Surgeon, appointed Deputy Mayor, the said Henry Hodge being unable to act on account of ill health.

Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said John Bull Emery.

From Michaelmas 1828 to Michaelmas 1829.  
Mayor - - The said George Bond.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Henry Hodge.

From Michaelmas 1829 to Michaelmas 1830.  
Mayor - - Thomas Maddison, Gentleman.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said George Bond.

From Michaelmas 1830 to Michaelmas 1831.  
Mayor - - Theodore Ling, Surgeon.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Thomas Maddison.

From Michaelmas 1831 to Michaelmas 1832.  
Mayor - - The said Thomas Roach.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Theodore Ling.

From Michaelmas 1832 to the present period.  
Mayor - - Moses Underwood, Gentleman.  
Recorder - The said William Dickinson.  
Late Mayor, The said Thomas Roach.

*R<sup>d</sup> Periam Prat*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF GLOUCESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Sir Thomas Rich's Hospital.*—The revenues of this hospital amount to about 1,000*l.* per annum, arising solely from farm-houses and lands situate in the parishes of Awre and Lydney, in the county of Gloucester. The principal portion of these lands was purchased by the sum of 6,000*l.*, left by the Will of Sir Thomas Rich, dated May 1666, and the remainder by bequests from Amity Clutterbuck, Thomas Brown and Mr. Guntor. There was also a sum of 500*l.* given by Mr. Richard Elley, in 1774, which was applied, in aid of the other revenues of the hospital, in rebuilding the same. The purpose of the several testators was the foundation and maintenance of an hospital or school, for the support, clothing and education of 20 boys, sons of freemen, and also for providing a suitable master and matron, and premiums for apprenticing the boys on their leaving the school, and also clothing for 20 poor men and women. These objects have always been strictly adhered to. There are now 20 boys in the school, each of whom is entitled to three years' residence, maintenance and education. Owing to the depreciated value of landed property, and the heavy expense of very extensive but necessary repairs at the hospital and various farms, the institution is now in debt to the amount of 2,600*l.* and upwards, but by the adoption of a system of the most rigid economy, and the sale of timber, of which there is a considerable quantity growing on the estates, it is expected that the debt may be liquidated



liquidated in the course of a few years. In 1807, the hospital was entirely rebuilt, at an expense of upwards of 4,000 *l*.

*St. Bartholomew's Hospital*.—The revenues of this hospital, which is originally a royal foundation (of the date of 49th Hen. III.), augmented from time to time by bequests from various individuals, are derived from houses, landed and funded property. The average annual income is about 1,100 *l*, which is appropriated to the maintenance and keeping in repair of an hospital for the residence of 59 almsmen and women, each of whom at this time receives the weekly pay of 5 *s*. 6 *d*. A chaplain, surgeon and apothecary are likewise attached to the institution, each of whom is entitled to a reasonable salary from its funds. There is also extra pay allowed to the master and other officers of the hospital.

*St. Margaret's Hospital*.—The foundation of this hospital is uncertain, but presumed to be of great antiquity. Its funds are derived from houses and land in this city and county of Gloucester, except 4 *l*. a year arising from pecuniary bequests. The annual income is at present about 150 *l*, which is applied in the maintenance and repairs of an hospital and chapel, and in weekly payments of 4 *s*. each to eight poor people, with stipend to a clergyman, medical attendant, and domestic officers of the hospital.

*St. Mary Magdalen*, otherwise called *King James's Hospital*.—This is of ancient date, recognised by a charter of Queen Elizabeth, and derives its revenues chiefly from land and houses, producing at the present time an annual sum of 165 *l*. including an annual sum of 13 *l*. granted by King James, and two other small bequests, amounting to 3 *l*. 6 *s*. This hospital maintains 19 poor people, but they do not all receive the same weekly pay, it having been found necessary, in consequence of the falling off of the funds occasioned by very heavy repairs, to reduce the salary of such persons as have been elected subsequently to January 1824, to 1 *s*. 6 *d*. per week. There are now ten persons receiving 3 *s*. and nine persons who only have 1 *s*. 6 *d*. per week. Even now this hospital is in debt to the amount of nearly 300 *l*. and the buildings of the hospital and chapel are in a very ruinous condition.

*Kyneburgh's Hospital*.—The income of this hospital, including the rents of houses and land bequeathed by Sir Thomas Bell, and three other minor bequests, amounts to 42 *l*. per annum, which is expended in repairs of the hospital, and a salary of 1 *s*. 6 *d*. per week each to six poor persons, and an annual sum of 10 *l*. 7 *s*. divided amongst the inmates of the hospital at different periods of the year.

*Apprentice Premiums*.—The benefaction of Mrs. Sarah Brown, arising from rents of houses producing 24 *l*. 19 *s*. 4 *d*. per annum. The benefaction of Mrs. Printer, arising from the interest of money in the hands of the Corporation, and amounting to 107 *l*. 17 *s*. 2 *d*. per annum, and the benefaction of Mr. William Holliday, amounting to 30 *l*. a year, are all yearly expended in apprenticing boys.

*Horton's Charity*.—This is a bequest of 10 *l*. per annum, arising from lands in the county of Wilts, left by the Will of Mr. Thomas Horton in 1735, and which is annually divided amongst the poor of St. Mary Magdalen and St. Margaret's hospital.

*Sir Thomas White's Charity*.—Once in every 24 years the Corporation receive from the chamber of Bristol the sum of 100 *l*. which is advanced by way of loan, without interest, in sums of 25 *l*. each to four young tradesmen.

*Goldstone's Charity*.—The interest of 20 *l*. left by Will, in 1578, to provide wood and coal for the poor, yearly. The Corporation expend considerable sums in coals for the poor annually, by which they consider themselves as inclusively satisfying this charity.

*Haydon's Gift*.—John Haydon left 100 *l*. the interest of which is yearly paid to the debtors confined in the city prison.

*Thomas Machen's Gift*.—By Will, dated 1614, 100 *l*. was left by Thomas Machen, to be advanced from time to time by way of loan, to poor mercers, at 2  $\frac{1}{4}$  per cent. part of which sum appears to have been lost, but the whole interest is yearly paid, according to the directions of the testator, to the inmates of St. Mary Magdalen and the poor of the parish of St. Catherine.

*John Wood's Gift*.—A chief rent of 10 *l*. 13 *s*. 4 *d*. subject to a reduction of 2 *l*. for land-tax, which is regularly paid over to the minister of Alstone, excepting the sum of 13 *s*. 4 *d*. retained according to the terms of the Will.

*Tarn's Charity*.—The sum of 4 *l*. payable out of lands, near Gloucester, is annually divided amongst the inmates of St. Mary Magdalen's hospital.

*Singleton's Charity*.—The interest of 150 *l*. which is annually appropriated as follows: 20 *s*. to the minister of St. Nicholas; 3 *l*. to the poor of St. Nicholas; 3 *l*. to the poor of St. Mary de Lode, and 10 *s*. retained as directed by the Will.

*Sarah Wright's Charity*.—The sum of 10 *l*. to be lent without interest, on good security, to young tradesmen: saddlers to be preferred. Now in hand.

*John Wyman's Gift*.—The rent of a house in the city of Gloucester, now amounting to 9 *l*. 18 *s*. 10 *d*. which, subject to a small reduction for land-tax and expenses, is annually paid to the surveyor of the road pointed out by the Will of the testator.

*Trippett, Yates, Elleys and Redvern's Gifts*.—The interest of the several sums of 200 *l*., 200 *l*., 500 *l*., and the rent of a small piece of land, producing altogether 33 *l*. 2 *s*., of which 31 *l*. 4 *s*. is paid annually to the minister of St. Michael's parish, and 1 *l*. 18 *s*. to the parish of Trinity.

*Bond's Charity*.—William Bond, by Will, in 1823, gave 1,000 *l*. upon trust, to pay the interest to Samuel Woodcock, esq. and his daughters in succession, and after their deaths to pay the interest to four young men, educated in the Blue-coat School, as soon as they shall be out of their apprenticeship. This bequest has been received, subject to a deduction of 100 *l*. for legacy duty, and the interest is now regularly paid to the family of the late Mr. Woodcock.

Besides the above, there are various other payments, amounting to 27 *l*. per annum, annually made for charitable purposes by the Corporation, but of the origin of which they are unable to give an account. The whole of the foregoing bequests, gifts, &c. have been investigated by the Commissioners

siepers of Charities, and a more minute and detailed account of them will be found embodied in their Report, already published and laid before Parliament.

**Crypt Grammar School.**—This school was founded in the reign of Henry the 8th, by Dame Joan Cooke, who gave an estate at Bentham, and other property in the county of Gloucester, to the mayor and burgesses, on condition that they should keep the school in repair, and make an annual payment of 10*l.* to the master, and a further sum of 6*s.* 8*d.* per annum to the Corporation of Worcester, who are appointed visitors. As a vacancy occurs, the master is elected by the mayor and aldermen. For some years past, the annual salary paid by the Corporation to the master of this school has been increased to 30*l.*

The other funds of the Corporation, but which are not applicable to charitable purposes, are derived from houses, lands, the tolls of markets, driftage, &c. and are appropriated in the payment of salaries to public officers, gifts, rewards, the pitching and repairing streets, lanes and roads, forming and keeping in repair the markets, and other public purposes, of which the corporation are ready to give a full account whenever the same may be required.

The several public tolls above alluded to, are all received under the authority of ancient charters, or Acts of Parliament.

21 February 1833.

Henry H. Wilton, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Gloucester.

* The Right hon. John Earl } present Recorder. Somers - - -	David Walker - - - Printer.
His Grace the Duke of Norfolk.	Charles Weaver - - - Pin Manufacturer.
Samuel Colborne - - - Surgeon.	* Ralph Fletcher - - - Surgeon.
John Jefferis - - - Pin Manufacturer.	John Philpotts - - - Barrister-at-law.
Samuel Woodcock - - { Surveyor of the General Post Office.	John Baron - - - Physician.
Giles Greenaway - - - Esquire.	* Samuel Jones - - - Brush Manufacturer.
Richard Nayler - - - Surgeon.	* James Wood - - - Banker and Mercer.
Daniel Willey - - - Esquire.	Henry Wilton - - - Attorney-at-law.
D. A. Saunders - - - Wine Merchant.	* William Price - - - Timber Merchant.
* Sir B. W. Guise - - - Baronet.	Thomas Smith - - - Attorney-at-law.
* J. P. Wilton - - - Surgeon.	John Cooke - - - Attorney-at-law.
T. Commeline - - - Gentleman.	Shadrach Charleton - - Gentleman.
Edward Weaver - - - Pin Manufacturer.	* David Mowbray Walker - Printer.
Sir James Jelf - - - Banker.	* William Henry Hyett - Esquire.
Samuel Rickets - - - Attorney-at-law.	* Alexander Walker - - Printer.
Thomas Washbourne - - Druggist.	* Edward Bower - - Currier.
	* John William Wilton - Surgeon.
	* William Morgan Meyler - Surgeon.

Those marked thus (\*) are now living and acting; the others are either dead, or have resigned.

21 February 1833.

Henry H. Wilton, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATION OF GREAT GRIMSBY.

##### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

A RENT-CHARGE of 7*l.* per annum, payable out of the manor of Goulceby, towards the finding and maintaining a schoolmaster to teach within the said borough children their grammar and Latin tongue. Acquired by grant of Katherine Mason. Applied to the same purposes as the other property of the Corporation.

A rent-charge of 5*l.* per annum, payable out of the manor of Asterby, in the county of Lincoln, for providing, monthly, the poor of the said borough with bread. Acquired by grant of Anthony Acham. Applied monthly in supplying poor widows with bread.

##### Other Property in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the Mayor and Burgesses of Great Grimsby.

Annual income arising from the rent of land, rent-charges of land granted by the mayor and burgesses, and other sources, about - - - - -	£. 1,071.
Acquired by grants from the Crown, on payment of fee-farm rents.	
APPLICATION:	£. s. d.
In part of fee-farm rent to grantee of Crown - - - - -	14 14 3
„ corn rents in lieu of rectorial and vicarial tithe - - - - -	328 18 9
„ interest of 2,400 <i>l.</i> debt, at 4½ per cent. - - - - -	108 - -
In payment of the salaries of two women to teach small children - - - - -	14 - -
In payment of the salaries of a master of a preparatory school, and of two masters of the grammar school, and in supplying books, stationery, &c. for the two schools, into which all children, born free, are admitted and educated without any expense whatever, books, &c. being found by the Corporation; the expense of books, &c. vary, about, per annum - - - - -	350 - -
In salaries of officers, repairs, improvements, and other general expenses - - - - -	255 7 -
	£. 1,071 - -

There are also two commons, the property of the mayor and burgesses, one called the East Marsh, containing about 112 acres, and the other called the Little Field and Haycroft, containing about 80 acres, on which each burgess has a privilege of depasturing two cows, and a limited number of sheep and horses. This property was also acquired by grant from the Crown, on payment of a fee-farm rent.

Great Grimsby, Feb. 23, 1833.

Geo. Babb, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Great Grimsby.

Year.	Mayors who, by virtue of their office, are Justices of the Peace.	Profession or Trade.	Aldermen annually elected Justices of the Peace.	Profession or Trade.	Recorder, by virtue of office Justice of Peace.	Profession or Trade.	Deputy Recorder, by virtue of office, Justice of Peace in the absence of Recorder.	Profession or Trade.
1812	William Wardale	Gentleman	John Simpson	Farmer.	The Right hon. Charles Lord Yarborough.	Peer of the Realm.	John Nicholson.	Attorney-at-law.
1813	Samuel Gooseman	Farmer	George Woolmer	Gentleman.				
1814	John Robinson	Plumber and Glazier	Richard Nell	Gentleman.				
1815	Robert Lister, jun. On his death, Robert Lister, sen.	Farmer	John Robinson	Plumber and Glazier.				
			William Wardale	Farmer.				
1816	William Wardale	Gentleman	Robert Lister, senior, on his election to be mayor	Gentleman.				
			George Woolmer	Gentleman.				
1817	William Wardale	Gentleman	William Wardale	Gentleman.				
1818	George Babb	Attorney-at-law	George Woolmer	Gentleman.				
1819	James Goulton	Corn Merchant	Richard Nell	Gentleman.				
1820	William Wardale	Gentleman	John Shelton	Gentleman.				
1821	John Shelton	Gentleman	William Wardale	Gentleman.				
1822	Joseph Fletcher	Farmer	John Shelton	Gentleman.				
1823	Edward Shelton	Wine & Spirit Merchant	George Babb	Attorney-at-law.				
1824	Robert Joys	Builder	George Babb	Attorney-at-law.				
1825	Joseph Fletcher	Farmer	James Goulton	Corn Merchant.				
1826	John Robinson	Farmer	George Babb	Attorney-at-law.				
1827	John Robinson	Farmer	James Goulton	Corn Merchant.				
1828	Joseph Fletcher	Farmer	Joseph Fletcher	Farmer.				
1829	Bransby Harrison	Innholder	Robert Joys	Builder.				
1830	John Moody	Surveyor of Customs	Samuel Gooseman	Farmer.	The Right hon. Charles Anderson Lord Yarborough.	Peer of the Realm.	John Nicholson.	Attorney-at-law.
1831	Questor Veal	Attorney-at-law	Robert Joys	Builder.				
1832	William Gooseman	Malster	Samuel Gooseman	Farmer.				
			Bransby Harrison	Builder.				

## CORPORATION OF GRANTHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Annual Amount.	From what source the same arises.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
£. s. d. 742 13 - 26 1 6 748 14 6	-- Rents of houses and lands, dividends on 869 l. 3 s. 8 d. Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities. Almshouses - A school-house and rooms.	Under charter 7 Edw. 6.  -- Under the will of Thomas Hurst, D. D. dated 20 Nov. 1671. Under the same will -	For the support of a free grammar school.  tutions to scholars educated at the school, as directed by a Decree of the Court of Chancery, pursuant to which the accounts are transmitted annually to the Bishop of Lincoln. For the residence of eight poor widows, rent free.  For the benefit of poor scholars.	-- For the payment of salaries of a master, usher and writing-master, and also for exhibitions to scholars educated at the school, as directed by a Decree of the Court of Chancery, pursuant to which the accounts are transmitted annually to the Bishop of Lincoln. Occupied by eight poor widows, rent free.  -- Poor girls of the parish of Grantham are educated gratis, and the schoolmistress occupies the rooms.
28 - -	-- Interest of 560 l. secured by mortgage.	-- Arising from land under the same will, sold for enlarging the Grantham churchyard.	For the support of the said school.	Towards payment of the schoolmistress's stipend.
48 - -	-- Rents of two houses in the occupation of Mrs. Worth and Mr. W. F. Kirke.	-- Under a deed of trust of 16th May, 39 Eliz. 1597, executed by Francis Trigg and others.	-- For distribution among poor people dwelling in Grantham on Good Friday and the Friday before Christmas-day.	-- Distributed according to the directions of the trust deed.
40 - -	-- The rent of the workhouse in Grantham.	-- Under a deed of trust of 8 Feb. 1640, executed by Anthoine Acome and others.	-- For distribution among poor people dwelling in Grantham on Good Friday and the Friday before Christmas-day.	-- Distributed according to the directions of the trust deed.
16 7 -	-- Dividend of 467 l. 3 s. 7 d. Three and a half per Cents.	-- By a legacy of 200 l. under the will of Gabriel Moore.	-- The whole interest to be put into the poor man's box, and distributed yearly.	-- Distributed yearly, according to the directions of the said will.
3 5 5	-- Dividend of 93 l. 9 s. Three and a half per Cents.	-- By a legacy of 40 l. under the will of Isabella Gregory.	-- To be placed on approved security, and the interest paid amongst eight poor widows of Grantham yearly.	-- Distributed yearly, according to the directions of the said will.
1 12 7	-- Dividend of 46 l. 14 s. 6 d. Three and a half p' Cents.	-- By a legacy of 20 l. under the will of Eleanor Darrard.	-- The interest to be paid yearly to four of the poorest widows of Grantham.	-- Distributed yearly, according to the directions of the said will.
3 5 5	-- Dividend of 93 l. 9 s. Three and a half per Cents.	-- By a legacy of 40 l. under the will of Faith Scrimshaw.	-- The interest to be disposed of, at the discretion of the Corporation of Grantham, amongst eight poor widows on Christmas-day.	-- Distributed yearly on Christmas-day, according to the directions of the said will.
8 3 6	-- Dividend of 233 l. 11 s. Three and a half per Cents.	-- By a legacy of 100 l. under the will of John Hutchin.	-- The interest to be paid by the aldermen & burgesses to the churchwardens of Grantham, to be distributed yearly amongst the poor of the parish of Grantham on St. John's day.	-- Distributed on St. John's-day (27 December), according to the directions of the said will.
3 5 5	-- Dividend of 93 l. 9 s. Three and a half per Cents.	-- By legacy of 40 l. under the will of Milner.	-- The interest to be distributed at Lady-day and Michaelmas, amongst six poor widows of Grantham.	-- Distributed half-yearly at Lady-day and Michaelmas, according to the directions of the said will.
12 6 10	-- Dividend of 411 l. 10 s. 6 d. Three per cent. Consols.	-- By a legacy of 250 l. under the will of Charles Clark, gent. dated 9 April 1795.	-- Towards the relief of a class of fatherless children or widows, being inhabitants of Grantham, who have seen better days, by weekly or other payments.	-- Distributed amongst five widows weekly, according to the directions of the said will.
31 9 11	-- Dividend of 1,049 l. 17 s. 4 d. Three and a half per Cent. Consols.	-- By a legacy of 500 l. under the said will of the said Charles Clark.	-- To be applied, disposed of and expended in the ornamenting and beautifying the parish church of Grantham.  applied towards a work in contemplation of ornamenting and beautifying the church.	-- Have been applied at different times when there has been a sufficient fund, according to the directions of the said will, and there is now in a bank, dividends to the amount of 294 l. 19 s. 2 d. to be
83 - -	-- Rents of houses and lands.	-- Under the will of Richard Curteis, dated 30 Sept. 1794.	-- For the use and benefit of the commonalty of Grantham for ever.	-- Chiefly amongst the poor freemen and poor widows of freemen of Grantham.
13 10 -	-- Interest of 300 l. secured by mortgage.			
102 10 -	-- Rent-charge issuing out of the Chequers Inn in Grantham, belonging to Mr. Thomas Gozna.	Not known.	-- To purchase four blue coats and for making for four poor men of Grantham.	Applied accordingly.
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Grantham, 19 February 1833.

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W<sup>m</sup> Ostler, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Grantham.*

Dead - -	Beaumont Leeson	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Dead - -	Matthew Pape	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.
Dead - -	Richard Holt	-	-	-	-	-	Banker and Grocer.
Dead - -	Samuel Briggs	-	-	-	-	-	Plumber and Glasier.
Dead - -	Francis Turner	-	-	-	-	-	Banker.
	1. John Hall	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Dead - -	John Langwith	-	-	-	-	-	Surveyor.
	2. John Barston	-	-	-	-	-	Ironmonger.
	3. William Todkill Catlett	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon and Apothecary.
	4. William Farmery Kirke	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Dead - -	Richard Winter	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.
	5. George Coward	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon and Apothecary.
Resigned,	John Garnar	-	-	-	-	-	Mercer.
Dead - -	James Hand	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.
	6. Frederic Lely	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
	7. George White	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Dead - -	Thomas Chettle	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.
Dead - -	Frederick Newcome	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor and Banker.
	8. Silvester Rogers	-	-	-	-	-	Ironmonger.
	9. Robert Calcroft	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
	10. Thomas Harvey	-	-	-	-	-	Mercer, the Alderman.
	11. Richard Briggs	-	-	-	-	-	Chemist and Druggist.
	12. John Brooks	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.
	13. Lawrence Wyles	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.

Those to which numbers are affixed are the present acting magistrates, the head of whom is styled Alderman, but they are placed in this list in the order in which they were appointed.

*W. Ostler, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF GRAVESEND.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE only charitable funds possessed by the Corporation consist of an annuity of 14*l.* 10*s.* charged upon a farm called Hazel, in the parish of Northfleet, and upon a messuage and premises called the Bull Inn, in the city of Rochester, devised to the mayor, &c. in 1710, by James Fry, a member of the corporate body, upon trust, for the master of the free school at Gravesend (founded by the Corporation) to teach 10 poor children, viz. four of Gravesend, four of Milton, and two of Chalk, which sum has been applied, and the poor children educated accordingly.

The Corporation also possess the quay or landing wharf, the town-hall and market-place, and other property which they acquired by purchase, and the whole of which is incumbered with loans raised for improving the same, and for the municipal purposes of the Corporation.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Gravesend.*

THE following is a List of the MAGISTRATES, and their Professions and Trades, for the last Twenty Years.

1813:		1815:	
Abraham Moore	- - Barrister at Law.	Abraham Moore	- - Barrister at Law.
George Arnold	- - Baker.	William Twiss	- - Banker and Lighterman.
Nathaniel Gyles	- - Searcher in the Customs.	Nathaniel Gyles	- - Searcher in the Customs.
John Millen	- - Banker and Ironmonger.	John Brenchley	- - Distiller.
1814:		1816:	
Abraham Moore	- - Barrister at Law.	Abraham Moore	- - Barrister at Law.
John Brenchley	- - Distiller.	Samuel Man	- - Gentleman.
Nathaniel Gyles	- - Searcher in the Customs.	Nathaniel Gyles	- - Searcher in the Customs.
Jeremiah Dennett	- - Draper.	William Twiss	- - Banker and Lighterman.

1817:

1817:	1825:
Abraham Moore - - Barrister at Law.	The Hon. Charles Vesey, Barrister at Law.
Robert Peirce Cruden - Ship Agent.	William Gladdish - - Lime Merchant.
Thomas Johnson - - Carpenter and Builder.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
	Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.
1818:	1826:
Abraham Moore - - Barrister at Law.	The Hon. Charles Vesey, Barrister at Law.
Robert Peirce Cruden - Ship Agent.	William Eagle - - - Ordnance Storekeeper.
Thomas Johnson - - Carpenter and Builder.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
George Rich - - - Banker and Searcher in the Customs.	Jeremiah Dennett - - Gentleman.
1819:	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
John Brenchley - - - Distiller.	1827:
William Twiss - - - Banker and Lighterman.	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
Abraham Moore - - Barrister at Law.	Jeremiah Dennett - - Gentleman.
James Brett - - - Carpenter.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.	William Eagle - - - Ordnance Storekeeper.
Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.	
1820:	1828:
Abraham Moore - - Barrister at Law.	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.	John Smith - - - Grocer.
Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
	Jeremiah Dennett - - Gentleman.
1821:	1829:
Abraham Moore - - Barrister at Law.	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
John Millen - - - Banker and Coal Merchant.	William Eagle - - - Ordnance Storekeeper.
William Twiss - - - Banker and Lighterman.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.	Jeremiah Dennett - - Gentleman.
1822:	1830:
The Hon. Charles Vesey, Barrister at Law.	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
The Hon. Charles Vesey, Barrister at Law.	Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.
Medhurst Troughton - Ironmonger.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.	John Smith - - - Grocer.
John Millen - - - Banker and Coal Merchant.	
1823:	1831:
The Hon. Charles Vesey, Barrister at Law.	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
Jeremiah Dennett - - Draper.	Robert Peirce Cruden - Gentleman.
Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
William Twiss - - - Banker and Lighterman.	Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.
1824:	1832:
The Hon. Charles Vesey, Barrister at Law.	Thomas Harris - - - Barrister at Law.
Samuel Man - - - Gentleman.	William Eagle - - - Ordnance Storekeeper.
Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.	Thomas Johnson - - Gentleman.
Jeremiah Dennett - - Draper.	* Robert Peirce Cruden Gentleman.

\* The fourth name in each year is that of the deputy mayor, who has no authority, except during the absence or sickness of the mayor.

J. Matthews, Town Clerk.

Gravesend, 18th Feb. 1833.

## CORPORATION OF GUILDFORD.

### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

NAMES of the Charities or Property.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
The Poyle Charity, consisting of the manor of Poyle, and certain mills, messuages and lands thereto belonging, producing about 620 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- Conveyed by the trustees of Henry Smith, esq., formerly of London, by indenture dated 8th October, 18 Charles I., to trustees, in trust for the benefit of the poor of the said town.	-- To be distributed by the mayor and approved men of the said town, by and with an even hand, amongst the poor of the said town, without any defalcation.	-- The rents of this charity are distributed by the mayor and aldermen amongst the poor of the town in the manner directed.

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## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

NAMES of the Charities or Property.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
The Free Grammar-school, consisting of the school-house and garden, and certain stock, lands and rent-charges of the annual value of 82 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	-- Incorporated by charter of King Edward VI., 27th January, 6th year of his reign. This charter grants to the Corporation two rent-charges; amounting to 20 <i>l.</i> per annum, which now form part of the revenues of the school.—In the year 1555	-- For the maintenance of the free grammar-school in Guildford, and for the payment of the salaries of the master and usher of the said school.	-- The sum of 63 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> per annum is paid for the salaries of the master and usher; the balance is laid out in repairs, insurance and other current expenses of the school.
the Corporation purchased a piece of land, and, aided by voluntary contributions, built the present school-house.—Robert Beckingham, of London, grocer, by his will, dated 3d November 1509, gave certain lands and tenements in Bromley, Kent, for the benefit of the said school. In 1598 these lands and tenements were granted to Andrew Brome, in fee-farm, at the yearly rent of 12 <i>l.</i> , which rent now forms part of the revenues of the school.—The Corporation, by their deed, indented, dated 3d September, 12 Henry VIII., enfeoffed certain trustees with a piece of land, upon which a house was built, for the benefit of the school. About ten years since, the house having become very ruinous was pulled down and the land sold, and the produce laid out in the purchase of 262 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, the dividends of which form part of the revenues.—Henry Polsted, Esquire, by deed, bearing date 1st July, 4th Edward VI., granted two houses in Guildford for the benefit of the school. About the 40th Elizabeth these houses were granted in fee-farm to Thomas Parson, at the yearly rent of 4 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> , which now forms part of the revenues.—Alice Polsted, widow, by her will, bearing date 27th May, 28 Elizabeth, gave a perpetual rent-charge of 3 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per annum, issuing out of certain lands and tenements in London and Middlesex.—Nicholas Stoughton, of Stoughton, esquire, by his will, bearing date 28th February 1647, gave and devised a yearly rent-charge of 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , issuing out of the manor of Cleygate, and all those his two tenements called Copthaw, in the parish of the Holy Trinity, in Guildford, to trustees for the benefit of the school. By indenture, dated 30th August 1658, these two tenements were granted in fee-farm to Thomas Canfield, at the yearly rent of 10 <i>l.</i> , which rent now forms part of the revenue of the school.—Three annual rents, amounting to 14 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> , issuing out of certain estates in Guildford, are applied for the use of the school; original grant not known; and one acre of land on Pewley-hill, of the annual value of 3 <i>l.</i> , supposed to have been granted by some pious person for the use of the school.			
The Hospital Manufactory, consisting of the annual sum of 100 <i>l.</i> paid from the income of Abbott's Hospital.	-- Grant from Archbishop Abbott, the founder of an hospital in Guildford, about the year 1629.	-- For the encouragement of the manufactory of cloth, hemp and knitting in the town.	-- By virtue of a decree in the Court of Chancery, made in December 1785, one moiety of this
rent-charge is applied in support of four new foundations for the support of poor old women in the Archbishop's hospital, and the remaining moiety is distributed amongst the poor housekeepers of the town.			
Mrs. Molyneux's Charity, consisting of the sum of 2,000 <i>l.</i> Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities.	-- Bequest from Mrs. Jane Moore Molyneux, by will, dated 11th April 1798.	-- The dividends to be paid and divided half-yearly equally between and amongst the twelve poor men and twelve poor women who should for the time being reside and be kept in Archbishop Abbott's hospital.	-- The dividends are paid and divided half-yearly, according to directions contained in the will of the donor.
Mr. Parsons' Charity, consisting of 532 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i> Three-and-a-Half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities.	-- By will of John Parsons, citizen and cloth-worker of London, dated 3d July 1702.	-- The yearly profits to be paid to a poor young man who had served an apprenticeship of seven	-- The year's dividend is given at Christmas in every year to a poor young man qualified according to the direction of the testator's will; or if it happens that there is no young man so qualified, it is given to a poor servant maid qualified according to the intention of the testator.
years in the said town, and was become a freeman thereof, and had taken his oath before a lawful magistrate that he was not directly or indirectly worth 20 <i>l.</i> ; and so to another young man so qualified, so that no young man might have it twice. And in case there should be no young man qualified to receive the charity, then the same to be given to a servant maid who had lived in good repute three years in one service in the said town.			
Mr. How's			

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

NAMES of the Charities or Property.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
Mr. How's Charity, consisting of 400 <i>l.</i> Old South Sea Annuities.	-- By will of John How, of Guildford, gentleman, dated 27 January 1674.  mistresses there two years together; which two servant maids were to throw dice or cast lots, and she that threw most on the said dice at one throw, or to whom the lot fell, should be paid one year's clear profit; and the other maid so chosen as aforesaid who should then miss thereof, should the next year, if she should inhabit in the said town and not be married, throw dice or cast lots as aforesaid with another maid the next year, who should be chosen as aforesaid; and so from time to time, yearly, for ever. But if any maid should lose four times, she should not have another chance.	-- The mayor and magistrates were yearly to choose two poor servant maids within the said town, of good report, who have served masters or	-- The dividends of this charity are applied in strict conformity with the will of the testator.
Mr. Austen's Charity, consisting of a yearly rent-charge of 8 <i>l.</i> , issuing out of the rectory of Shalford, reduced by the land-tax to 6 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i>	-- By grant from John Austen, of Shalford, gentleman, dated 10th December, 11th James.	-- To be bestowed among such poor people as should be of good and honest conversation, and in nowise upon any such as should be detected or defamed, or vehemently suspected of being drunkards, whoremasters, or of any other infamous or lewd life or ill behaviour.	-- This charity is now divided between thirty-nine poor widows yearly, at Christmas.
Mr. Bradford's Charity, consisting of a yearly rent-charge of 1 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> issuing out of a house in Guildford.	-- By grant from William Bradford, of Petworth, in the county of Sussex, yeoman, bearing date 26th February, 10th James.	-- For the succour and relief of such poor people as should be dwelling and abiding within the two parishes of the Holy Trinity and the Blessed Virgin Mary, in Guildford aforesaid, at the discretion and appointment of the said mayor and approved men for the time being.	-- This charity is divided amongst the poor people of the two parishes every alternate year.

Joseph Hockley, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Guildford.*

1813. Charles Booker - - Mealman.	1820. William Sparkes - - Banker.
John Nealds - - Wine Merchant.	1822. William Elkins - - Brewer.
Samuel Russell - - Cutler.	1824. James Stedman - - Surgeon.
George Waugh - - Linendraper.	1826. John Rand - - Attorney at Law.
William Draper Best, Serjeant at Law.	1828. Anthony Lee - - Linendraper.
1814. John Martyr - - Esquire.	George Waugh - - Gentleman.
1815. William Elkins - - Grocer.	1830. George Chapple - - Barrister at Law.
1817. Joseph Haydon - - Banker.	Norton.
1819. Arthur Onslow - - Serjeant at Law.	1831. Charles Booker - - Gentleman.
John French - - Banker.	1832. Anthony Lee - - Banker.

Joseph Hockley, Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF HARWICH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

With regard to the Charitable Funds, or other property, there are but two cases over which the Corporation of Harwich have any control or management; namely,—

A dwelling-house and an adjoining building for the purpose of a school, granted to them by one Mr. Humphrey Parsons in the year 1724, but without any pecuniary endowment attached to it; and therefore, the Corporation support the establishment out of their own funds, appointing the clergyman for the time being to the mastership of the school, with the free occupation of the premises, and at an annual salary, conditionally, that he is to instruct a certain number of boys of their nomination.

And also a charge of 3*l.* per annum upon certain freehold premises in Harwich, under the Will of one Giles Baker, which is divided between three poor widows.

Harwich, 14th February 1833.

B<sup>n</sup> Chapman, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Harwich.

1812. Joseph Graham, shipbuilder.	John Hopkins.
John Hopkins, P. M., Naval clerk of the Check.	1823. John Hopkins.
1813. John Hopkins.	Anthony Cox.
Joseph Graham.	1824. Anthony Cox.
1814. Henry Deane, baker.	John Hopkins.
John Hopkins.	1825. John Hopkins.
1815. John Hopkins.	Anthony Cox.
Henry Deane.	1826. George Graham, shipbuilder.
1816. Henry Deane.	John Hopkins.
John Hopkins.	1827. John Bailey, surgeon.
1817. John Hopkins.	George Graham.
Henry Deane.	1828. Thomas Cobbold, brewer.
1818. Anthony Cox, banker.	John Bailey.
John Hopkins.	1829. George Graham.
1819. John Hopkins.	Thomas Cobbold.
Anthony Cox.	1830. Anthony Cox.
1820. Anthony Cox.	George Graham.
John Hopkins.	1831. George Graham.
1821. John Hopkins.	Anthony Cox.
Anthony Cox.	1832. Thomas Cobbold.
1822. Anthony Cox.	George Graham.

[Wherever the same name occurs more than once, it means identically the same person.]

B<sup>n</sup> Chapman, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF HASTINGS.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE mayor, jurats and commonalty of the town and port of Hastings, in the county of Sussex, are trustees of certain estates devised for charitable purposes, called respectively, Saunders' Charity, Parker's Charity, Lasher's Charity, and Magdalen Charity, the particulars of which are as follow :

*Saunders' Charity.*—This consists of certain estates in Wittersham, in the Isle of Oxney, in the county of Kent, devised by the will of one James Saunders, deceased, dated 7th January 1708, to the Corporation, in trust, to apply the rents and profits thereof towards placing out annually two poor boys of this town and port apprentices, and in the support of two school-dames to teach 30 poor girls, and one schoolmaster to teach 70 poor boys of the town.

The rent of these estates now amounts to about 117*l.* per annum, which, after deducting repairs and other outgoings incident to the estates, is now applied for the above charitable purposes, in pursuance of certain orders and directions of the Court of Chancery.

*Parker's Charity.*—This consists of certain estates in Ore, in the said county of Sussex, adjoining the said town and port, devised by the Will of one William Parker, deceased, dated the 16th November 1619, to the Corporation, for the maintenance of a religious and godly schoolmaster in the said town and port.

The rent of these estates now amounts to about 211*l.* per annum, which, after deducting repairs, &c, incident to the estate, is paid to the master for the purposes aforesaid. The number of scholars now on this foundation is about 112, and it is open to all sons of inhabitants of the said town and port between certain ages, and is also conducted under certain orders and regulations of the Court of Chancery made for the purpose.

Lasher's

**Lasher's Charity.**—This consists of an annuity or rent-charge of 3*l.* 10*s.*, issuing out of certain land in the parish of All Saints, in this town and port, devised by the will of one Thomas Lasher, in the year 1701, for the use and benefit of the seven poorest inhabitants of men, in the said town and port, payable every Christmas.

This is now paid to seven of the oldest and poorest inhabitants (who are generally fishermen) of this town and port.

**Magdalen Charity.**—This consists of a certain estate, containing about 55 acres of land, in the parish of St. Mary Magdalen, in the liberties of this town and port, now producing the rent of 105*l.* per annum, which rent is paid to the churchwardens of the parishes of St. Clement and All Saints, in Hastings, in the proportion of three-fifths to St. Clement, and two-fifths to All Saints, and by them distributed at Easter and Christmas, in sums of about 2*s.* and 1*s.* 6*d.* to such poor persons as they may deem deserving of it, in their respective parishes.

There exists, however, no deed, will or other instrument in the possession of this Corporation, or any where to their knowledge, to show how they became possessed of this estate, or for what particular purpose it was originally intended. The present mode of distributing the rents has, to the best of our knowledge, been immemorably adopted.

**As to other Property.**—The private revenue of this Corporation is derived from the rents of certain land, formerly Stonebeach, adjoining the sea, and certain waste land in and about the town, granted by the charter of Elizabeth, and from the tolls and duties received for vessels grounding on the stade, and on the importing and exporting of merchandize therefrom, and from the tolls of a meat market and fines imposed at the quarter sessions, which are retained under the authority of the charter, and from fines on admission to the freedom of the Corporation.

This revenue is now applied towards the support of the town-hall, town-clock, a town counsel to act at each quarter sessions in lieu of a recorder, fire engines, the support and maintenance of the stade, capstans, lights, and towards the general accommodation of all the trading vessels and fishery (which latter is here very extensive), salaries to certain officers of the Corporation and general public expenses, and purposes as far as the income will allow.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Hastings.

**As to Magistrates.**—There are at present twelve jurats of this Corporation, who are by charter justices of the peace to act within this town and port and its liberties. One of these jurats is annually chosen mayor by the freemen.

The Return as required for the last twenty years is as follows:

*Edward Milward - - - Esquire.	*John Williams - - - Gentleman.
*John Goldsworthy Shorter - - - Gentleman.	Robert Thatcher - - - Riding Officer of Customs.
Thomas Crouch - - - Gentleman.	Henry Jenkinson Sayer - - - Solicitor.
Lovell Crouch - - - Gentleman.	*Frederick North - - - Esquire.
*Walter Crouch - - - Gentleman.	John Cossum - - - Linendraper.
Rev. John Toke, jun. - - - Clerk.	*Daniel Gill - - - Collector of Customs.
*William Scrivenus - - - Banker.	*John Williams, jun. - - - Merchant.
Smith Crouch - - - Gentleman.	William Ball - - - Officer of H. M. Dock-yard.
William Bale - - - Surveyor of Customs.	*Nathaniel Crouch - - - Draper.
*Joseph Hannay - - - Schoolmaster.	*Thomas Foster - - - Draper.
Charles Steevens Crouch - - - Surgeon.	*Robert Ranking - - - Surgeon.
Benjamin Bosson - - - Carpenter.	
John Scott - - - Esquire.	

Those marked thus (\*) are now living and acting.

#### CORPORATION OF HEDON.

##### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

	£. s. d.
A RENT issuable out of estates at Rise, and given by the Will of Sir Hagh Bethell, to be distributed amongst poor people in Hedon - - - - -	2 10 -
<b>OTHER PROPERTY.</b>	
Houses, buildings and lands in Hedon, producing yearly - - - - -	274 19 -
Fee-farm rents, issuing out of houses, buildings and lands in Hedon, called the "Town's Rent," and amounting altogether to (subject to a deduction of £. 28. 0 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> , payable to the lord of the Seignior of Holderness) - - - - -	52 5 6
Tolls of carriages and cattle coming into and passing through the Borough, producing a yearly rent of - - - - -	25 4 -
Eleven other houses, occupied by old burgesses and the widows of burgesses, paying no rent.	
£.	354 18 6

This property has been acquired by charters, deeds or wills, or is held by immemorial prescription, but without any specific purposes for which any part of it has been given.

DISTRIBUTION and APPLICATION of the CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property of the Corporation of Hedon, taken from the Accounts for the year ending at the Annual Audit, held 3 January 1833.

	£.	s.	d.
The rent issuing out of estates at Rise, distributed according to the Will of Sir Hugh Bethell	2	10	—
Arrears of the fee-farm rent	1	12	8
Manurance, fencing and draining the land	37	15	4
Allowance to tenants for land cut by the new Hull road	4	1	8
Repairs, buildings, streets	10	6	7
Salaries of officers:—Town Clerk, 10 <i>l.</i> ; Serjeant at Mace, 6 <i>l.</i> , and suit of clothes, 6 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> ; Ringers, 8 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> ; Sexton and Crier, 1 <i>l.</i> ; Town's Rent Collector, 4 <i>l.</i> ; Mole Catcher, 10 <i>s.</i>	36	2	6
A gratuity to the Town Clerk for extra trouble, making various Returns required by the Secretary of State and House of Commons, in this and several preceding years	10	—	—
The Mayor's allowance for entertainments, and other expenses of his mayoralty	42	2	—
Expenses incurred in preparing, signing and presenting to Parliament petitions from Hedon and the hundreds of Holderness, to be incorporated together, in sending representatives to the House of Commons	18	6	—
Repairs and incidents at the Town's Hall	3	7	1
Juries and constables at the four Quarter Sessions and Sheriff Tournes	10	11	—
Taxes: Government, Highways, Church and Poor	49	3	1
Fee-farm rent, payable out of the town's rent to the lord of the seignior of Holderness	24	—	8
Other fee-farm rents and tithes	1	4	3
Pensions and coals to the widows residing in the houses	8	6	6
Printing, bookbinding and stationery	3	4	1
Sundry other payments	2	4	4
£.	264	17	9

Total amount of expenditure for the year, from 5 January 1832 to 3 January 1833, leaving a balance of cash in hand, £. 90. 0*s.* 9*d.*; but the expenditure is necessarily fluctuating, and often much exceeds the income. The paving and repairs of the streets in this year have been small; they are often very large, and amount to considerable sums of money. The gaol, public bridges and various other incumbrances, are sustained out of the Corporation funds, and occasionally prove very heavy, though in this year they have been no charge.

Hedon, 19 Feb. 1833.

J<sup>r</sup> Iveson, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—Hedon.

Elections at Michaelmas.	Mayors.	Bailiffs.
1813. John Taylor	Merchant	Robert Clifford - Surgeon. John C. Day - Gentleman.
1814. Robert Clifford	Surgeon	George Webster - Gentleman. Joseph Robinson - Merchant.
1815. John Robinson (died)	Merchant	Thomas Taylor - Merchant. William Iveson - Attorney at Law - { John Hornby - Baker.
1816. John Hornby	Baker	Joseph Robinson - Merchant. Charles Gibson - Miller.
1817. John Soutter	Blacksmith	Thomas Jackson - Blacksmith. Thomas Taylor - Merchant.
1818. William Iveson	Attorney at Law	Thomas Taylor - Merchant. Joseph Robinson - Merchant.
1819. William Day	Gentleman	Thomas Jackson - Blacksmith. Joseph Robinson - Merchant.
1820. Henry Hansley	Draper	Thomas Hoe - Sadler. Joseph Robinson - Yeoman.
1821. Edward Ombler	Esquire	Thomas Taylor - Merchant. Joseph Robinson - Merchant.
1822. John Taylor	Merchant	Thomas Jackson - Blacksmith. Charles Gibson - Miller.
1823. Joseph Robinson	Merchant	John C. Day - Gentleman. John Taylor, jun. - Merchant.
1824. John Hornby	Baker	Charles Gibson - Miller. George Sawyer - Surgeon.
1825. George Sawyer	Surgeon	Richard Iveson - Surveyor. James Mathews - Draper.
1826. William Iveson	Attorney at Law	Charles Gibson - Miller. John Taylor, jun. - Merchant.
1827. William Day (died)	Gentleman	Thomas Taylor - Merchant. John Soutter - Blacksmith - { Richard Iveson - Surveyor.
1828. Thomas Taylor	Merchant	Charles Gibson - Miller. James Soutter - Druggist.

1829. Joseph

Elections at Michaelmas.	Mayors.	Bailiffs.
1829. Joseph Robinson	- - Merchant	- - - Richard Iveson - - - Surveyor.
1830. Richard Iveson	- - - Surveyor	- - - John Taylor, jun. - - - Merchant.
1831. John Hornby	- - - Baker	- - - Charles Gibson - - - Miller.
1832. William Iveson	- - - Attorney at Law	- - - Thomas Hoe - - - Sadler.
		- - - John Taylor, jun. - - - Merchant.
		- - - James Watson Fenwick - - - Gardener.
		- - - James Mathews - - - Draper.
		- - - Arthur Iveson - - - Attorney at Law.

These personages are magistrates only during the year of their office.

Hedon, 19 Feb. 1833.

J<sup>r</sup> Iveson, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF HELLESTON.

### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no Charitable Funds in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Helleston.

The revenues of the Corporation, which amount to the annual sum of 309*l.* 9*s.* are derived from freehold lands, and the tolls of markets within the borough, which have been vested in the Corporation from time immemorial.

The revenues are wholly applied to public purposes; viz. lighting and paving the streets of the town, repairing public buildings, an endowment of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to the classical school, and a salary of 45*l.* to the church organist.

### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Helleston.

Alderman - Richard Gerveys Grylls	- - - Clergyman, also a county magistrate.
Alderman - Thomas Grylls	- - - Solicitor (dead).
Alderman - John Borlase	- - - Esquire, also a county magistrate.
Alderman - John Trevenen	- - - Esquire, also a county magistrate (dead).
Alderman - Thomas Robinson	- - - Clergyman (dead).
Alderman - Humphry Millett Grylls	- - - Solicitor.
Alderman - Isaac Head	- - - Surgeon (dead).
Alderman - James Plomer	- - - Solicitor.
Alderman - George Simon Borlase	- - - Esquire, also a county magistrate.
Recorder - John Rogers	- - - Esquire, also a county magistrate (dead).
Recorder - The Most Noble George William Frederick Duke of Leeds.	

Helleston, 16 Feb. 1833.

Glynn Grylls, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF HENLEY-UPON-THAMES.

### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

#### RETURN of all the Property belonging to the CORPORATION.

Annual Income.	Of what it consists.	Manner in which acquired.	Application.
£. s. d. 16 - -	--A piece of land, near Henley Bridge, called Greenscroft, containing acres, or thereabouts.	Purchased in 1626.	-- This, with the exception of 4 <i>l.</i> which is applied to charitable purposes, is the whole of the private estate of the Corporation. It is applied in the repair of the town hall and the gaol, the payment of the town serjeant, and other officers of the Corporation, and the necessary expenses attending the office of mayor.
15 - -	Fishery in the River Thames at Henley.	-- Not known. It has been in the possession of the corporation from the time of Henry VI.	
45 - -	Six tenements in Friday-street, Henley.	Under the Will of Gravett in 1600.	
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**CHARITABLE FUNDS in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the BRIDGEMEN of Henley-upon-Thames.**  
(The Bridgemen are Members of, and chosen by, the Corporation.)

Annual Income.	Of what it consists.	Manner in which it was acquired.	The Purposes for which it was given.	Present Mode of Application.
£. s. d. 65 - -	-- Six tenements in Henley-upon-Thames, a small piece of ground in Henley, and a pew in Henley church.	-- By the Will of William Barnaby, dated September 1580.	-- For the use of the church and bridge and poor of Henley.	-- It is now applied as follows: 6 l. 4 s. to the poor, and 58 l. 16 s. to church purposes.
48 3 -	-- Three tenements in Henley-upon-Thames, the National School-house in Henley, and a pew in Henley church.	-- By the Will of Robert Kenton the younger, dated November 1652.	-- For the repairs of the bridge at Henley.	This is now applied to church purposes.
4 10 -	A piece of land near Henley-upon-Thames.	-- By the Will of Robert Shard, dated June 1663.	To purchase bread for the poor of Henley.	-- This is now applied to purchase bread for the poor of Henley.
6 - -	A piece of land, near Henley-upon-Thames, called Alleway's Piece.	- - - -	No specific application	This is now applied to church purposes.
38 5 5	Several rent-charges	- - - -	- - - -	-- This is now applied as follows: £. 20. 11. 4. to the poor of Henley, & £. 17. 14. 1. to church purposes.
63 10 -	-- A farm-house, barn, stable and granary, with a quantity of land, and right of sheep walk on the Common Downs, at Telescombe, in Lewis.	-- By the Will of Henry Smith, dated about 1620.	-- To the poor of Henley to purchase bread and clothing.	-- It is now applied to the purchase of bread and clothing for the poor of Henley.
The rental of this property is 200 l. per annum, but the Bridgemen of Henley (who share it with Banbury, Chobham, Cullerton, Richmond and Southampton,) only receive 63 l. 10 s. per annum as their share.				
9 - -	-- A rent-charge issuing out of the Manor Pound and premises at Easingdon. -- £. 576. 2. Three per cent. Consols, purchased by 350 l. left by Robert Eglesfield.	-- By the Will of John Hart, dated 12 May 1664. -- By the Will of Robert Eglesfield, dated 24 February 1797.	To place out poor boys apprentice. -- As a salary for the organist of Henley church.	-- It is now applied to the placing out poor boys apprentice. It is now applied to the payment of the organist.
35 - -	-- Certain estates in the hands of the Clothworkers' Company of London, purchased by 650 l. left by the Will of Frances West.	-- By the Will of Frances West, dated 12 November 1724.	-- £. 5 a year to five or more poor blind men or women of Henley.	-- It is now applied in sums of 5 l. each to seven poor blind men and women of Henley annually.
<b>CHARITABLE FUNDS in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the CORPORATION.</b>				
182 10 -	-- Twelve almshouses, called Bishop Longland's Almshouses, part of a brewhouse, and a public-house in the town of Windsor, a public-house in Henley, five acres of land near Henley, and two pews in Henley church.	-- By the Will of John Longland, Lord Bishop of Lincoln, dated March 1547.	The poor in the 12 almshouses.	-- It is now applied to the support of the poor in these almshouses, in weekly stipends.
130 10 -	-- Ten almshouses, called Humphry Newbury's Almshouses, six tenements in Henley, three acres of land near Henley, and a pew in Henley church.	-- By the Will of Humphry Newbury, dated March 1664.	To the poor in the 10 almshouses.	-- It is now applied to the support of the poor in these almshouses, in weekly stipends.
11 15 7	-- Four almshouses, fee-farm rents, and interest on 32 l. at 5 per cent.	-- By the Wills of Ann Messenger and W. Palmer, dated 1743.	The poor in the four almshouses.	-- It is now applied to the support of the poor in these almshouses, in weekly stipends.
222 10 -	-- Farm at West Tilbury, land at Hornden, house and land at Wargrave, Henley work-house and land.	-- By the Wills of John Statteridge, dated 1628, and Henry Wilson, dated 1660.	-- A rent-charge of £. 13. 6. 8. to Caius College, Cambridge, & the residue to the poor of Henley.	-- It is now applied to the payment of this rent-charge, to the poor in the almshouses in weekly stipends, and to the poor of the town in small sums.
53 - -	-- Five tenements in Henley-upon-Thames, and interest on 370 l. at 5 per cent.	-- By the Will of William Barnaby, dated April 1585.	To the poor of Henley	-- It is now applied in weekly stipends to the poor, almshouses, and the payment of Good Friday and the 5th of May.
58 16 1	Fee-farm rents, and interest on 298 l. at 5 per cent.	-- By the Will of William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, dated January 1643.	-- For placing out poor boys apprentice, and for marriage portions for poor maidens.	-- It is now applied to the placing out poor boys apprentice, and for marriage portions for poor maidens.
5 5 -	Interest on 175 l.	-- By Will of Hugh Keene, dated September 1798.	For bread to the poor of Henley.	-- It is now applied to the purchase of bread for the poor of Henley.
21 - -	£. 700 stock, Three per Cent. Consols.	-- By the Wills of Josiah Sarney, dated October 1817, & Sarah Sarney, dated March 1818.	-- To purchase coats and bread for the poor of Henley-upon-Thames.	-- It is now applied to the purchase of coats and bread for the poor of Henley.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Henley-upon-Thames.*

George Norton - - - Stationer.	John Paulin - - - Maltster.
Thomas Cooper - - - Gentleman.	Thomas Crouch - - - Grocer.
John Plumbe - - - Draper.	Thomas Maynard - - - Butcher.
William Parker - - - Gentleman.	James Brooks - - - Surgeon.
Richard Rickford - - - Grocer.	Joseph Appleton - - - Gentleman.
James Owthwaite - - - Auctioneer.	Samuel Cooper - - - Solicitor.
John Cooper - - - Banker.	William Young - - - Surgeon.
William Augustus Towsey, Wine Merchant.	Hugh Barford - - - Maltster.
John Piper Ives - - - Grocer.	James Dixon - - - Innkeeper.

## CORPORATION OF HEREFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

- 1st. The manner in which the same have been acquired.
- 2d. The purposes for which the same were given.
- 3d. The mode in which they are now distributed and applied.

## No. 1.—PRICE'S HOSPITAL.

1st. THE funds by which this hospital is supported were acquired by the Will of William Price, citizen and merchant tailor of London, dated November 3d, 1604, confirmed by a Deed of Settlement made 10th July 1636; by a devise from Thomas Rodd, and by a legacy from the late Thomas Russell, esquire, town clerk of the city of Hereford.

2d. The purposes for which these funds were given, were to erect and establish almshouses for a chaplain and twelve poor men; to be incorporated by the name of "The Chaplain and Twelve Poor Men of Price's Hospital." The chaplain to receive 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly, and each of the poor men to receive 10*s.* 8*d.* monthly, the overplus to remain in stock for the use and benefit of the said hospital. Out of such overplus, twelve gowns are to be made for the twelve poor men every fourth year. The stock of money, to go towards repairing the hospital, and for such other uses concerning the said hospital, as by the mayor, six aldermen, and such of the common council for the time being as have been mayors (who are also the governors) shall be thought fit.

3d. These funds have been distributed and applied in building twelve substantial almshouses and a chapel, with good gardens annexed to each house, and a burial ground: the buildings are all in excellent repair.

The chaplain now receives 20*l.* per annum.

Each of the poor men receives 10*s.* a week (instead of the original grant of 10*s.* 8*d.* a month), and also every third year a new hat and great coat, and during each winter they have three half tons of coal each.

In order that the charities in the gift of the Corporation of Hereford may be properly distributed, it has been the custom for many years for one of the aldermen to undertake (without any remuneration whatever) the management of a charity. Price's Hospital is under the control of Thomas Bird, esquire, alderman, and is progressively improving. During the time Mr. Bird has acted as governor, the pay has increased from 1*l.* 10*s.* a calendar month to 2*l.* a lunar month. His accounts are audited annually on the first Monday in December.

The following are the names and ages of the present occupants, who are all aged poor men, and many of them have been unfortunate in life and seen much better days; viz.

1. Thomas Williams - - - aged 87	7. John Evans - - - aged 75
2. Thomas Pugh - - - 84	8. John Llewellyn - - - 73
3. William Clarke - - - 81	9. Samuel Davies - - - 72
4. Robert Berrow - - - 60	10. Thomas Grubham - - - 69
5. Francis Hollings - - - 77	11. John Husbands - - - 67
6. John Porter - - - 77	12. William Elliott - - - 63

## No. 2.—TRINITY HOSPITAL.

1st. This property has been acquired under a Deed of Gift from Thomas Kerry, of Sherfield, in the county of Kent, esquire, dated 28th February, 43 Eliz., A.D. 1601; and by subsequent donations from Thomas Baker, of Hereford, who died A.D. 1788; and Thomas Russell, late town clerk, who died A.D. 1824.

2d. The purposes for which it was given, to be appropriated as an hospital for fifteen poor people, viz. three men unmarried and twelve women, widows, to be incorporated by the name of "The Governor and Poor of Trinity Hospital, in Hereford." One of the men, called the Governor, to have a chamber and 14*d.* a week, and each of the others to have a chamber and 1*s.* a week, to be paid quarterly, and a gown each at Christmas, not exceeding 13*s.* 4*d.* in value. The overplus to be put into a chest and kept for the good of the poor in time convenient.

3d. The buildings having fallen to decay, they were pulled down A.D. 1824, and the present sixteen convenient messuages built. Each separate dwelling consists of one sitting-room and one bedroom over it. They are occupied by three poor aged unmarried men, and twelve poor aged widows. The Corporation fill up the sixteenth house, and give the same weekly pay to the occupant from their own funds.

The governor receives weekly 6s., each of the others 5s. a week (instead of the original grant of 1s.) They each receive further a ton of coal and a coat or gown at Christmas. This hospital has been under the management of an alderman, assisted by J. Bleeck Lye, esquire, M. D. as treasurer, whose accounts are annually audited. J. Griffiths, esquire, is the alderman who now superintends. No remuneration whatever has been received by either.

The names and ages of the present occupants are,—

1. William Davies	-	-	aged 76	9. Ann Powles	-	-	aged 77
2. William Scaffold	-	-	70	10. Elizabeth Cross	-	-	72
3. John Colebatch	-	-	63	11. Elizabeth Morris	-	-	72
4. Mary Williams	-	-	90	12. Lucy Preece	-	-	71
5. Elizabeth Skyrn	-	-	87	13. Mary Andrews	-	-	70
6. Ann Smith	-	-	82	14. Mary Lewis	-	-	67
7. Martha Baker	-	-	79	15. Mary Owen	-	-	56
8. Mary Moreton	-	-	78	16. Martha Greenly	-	-	48

#### No. 3.—WILLIAMS'S HOSPITAL.

1st. The manner in which the funds have been acquired.

Richard Williams, an attendant of Lord Cobham's, about A.D. 1601, devoted 1,000*l.* for the erection and maintenance of an hospital.

Sir John Scudamore, knight, and Sir James Scudamore, knight, his son, by Deed of Gift, A.D. 1601, gave to the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Hereford, a parcel of land situate at St. Giles's, in the parish of St. Owen's, whereon to build the aforesaid hospital.

2d. The purposes for which Mr. Williams's donation was given.

To provide an hospital for six poor men, who were to receive 10*s.* a month; 40*s.* yearly to be paid to the chaplain of St. Giles's chapel. The overplus to be appropriated by the mayor and aldermen, or greater part of them, to the use of the poor; viz. to buy them gowns, repair their houses, defend their lands, and to be distributed amongst them against good times.

3d. The mode in which they are now distributed and applied.

Each of the six poor men receives 3*l.* 10*s.* per calendar month, or 17*s.* 6*d.* per week (instead of the original endowment of 10*s.* a month). Each man has also a suit of clothes and a hat once in three years, two shirts, two cravats, one pair of shoes and stockings every year, and also a ton of coal every winter.

The chaplain is paid 15*l.* a year for performing divine service.

In the year 1675 the present six houses were rebuilt, Bridstock Harford, esquire, alderman and custos, "being a good benefactor therein." The houses are very comfortable, with good gardens attached to each, and in very good repair. They are occupied by six poor aged men, chiefly decayed and ruined tradesmen, who have seen better days.

Pursuant to ordinances for their good government, made in conformity with directions contained in the founder's Will, they attend the neighbouring chapel of St. Giles's to hear prayers, at such times as the same are read.

This hospital is under the more immediate management of Samuel Hughes, M. D. alderman, who, as custos of St. Giles's Hospital, distributes the charity. His accounts are regularly audited every year, and he governs the charity without any remuneration whatever.

The names and ages of the present occupants are,—

1. Robert Minton	-	-	aged 78	4. Charles Wainscoate	-	-	aged 68
2. Giles Whittal	-	-	75	5. Richard Walker	-	-	68
3. Richard Winter	-	-	74	6. Joseph Dutson	-	-	63

#### No. 4.—ST. GILES'S HOSPITAL.

1st. The manner in which the funds have been acquired.

This hospital was originally founded A.D. 1290, for "Fryars Grissey." (Leland, vol. iv. p. 87.) It afterwards became the property of the Knights Templars, and being seized by the Crown, was given by King Richard II. to the city of Hereford, and appropriated to its present purposes.

10 Eliz. Some old records of this period, in possession of the Corporation, mention the chapel belonging to the hospital as having been founded "for the honour of God and comfort of the said city of Hereford."

George Honor, otherwise Spicer, of the city of Hereford, mercer, by his Will, bearing date 21st March 1523, devised certain tenements and garden, situate in Grope-lane, and the above eigne, in the city of Hereford, to this hospital.

The Corporation have also increased the original endowment, and the late Thomas Russell, esquire, town-clerk of the city, left a legacy of 300*l.*

2d. The purposes for which the same was given.

There is no record of the purposes of King Richard's grant. George Honor directed the rents arising from his bequest to be paid to the custos for the use of the poor men of the said hospital. Mr. Thomas Russell's legacy (viz. 300*l.*) was left to augment the weekly allowance of the poor of the hospital

3d. The

3d. The mode in which they are now distributed and applied.

Five poor aged men receive 1*l.* every lunar month.

The chaplain is paid 5*l.* annually.

There are five houses which were rebuilt A. D. 1770, with gardens to each; they are in very good repair. There is also a chapel built, A. D. 1682.

This chapel is also under the direction of Dr. Hughes, alderman, the present custos, whose accounts are audited annually.

The names and ages of the present occupants are,—

1. John Pugh - - -	aged 80		4. Richard Jones - - -	aged 67
2. William Compton - - -	74		5. James Prosser - - -	58
3. George Cole - - -	74			

#### No. 5.—ROBERT SYMONDS'S ALMSHOUSES.

1st. Founded by Robert Symonds, A. D. 1695, out of an estate at Breinton, in the county of Hereford, and endowed with a rent-charge of 8*l.* per annum.

2d. For four poor men, being decayed housekeepers.

3d. This hospital is only so far "in the possession, order or disposition" of the Corporation of Hereford as, in default of appointment on a vacancy, the mayor, aldermen and chief citizens, on giving ten days' notice, may at the expiration of that time appoint, if the possessor has not previously appointed.

The present possessor of the estate, Mr. Lewis, has appointed "four poor men, being decayed housekeepers," but has not, according to their statement, given them possession of the houses, or paid the annual sum charged on the estate.

The Corporation have not the deed of endowment in their possession, or any copy thereof, it being one of Mr. Lewis's title deeds—it is in his possession. They have a copy of Mr. Robert Symonds's Will, in which no mention whatever is made of the Corporation of Hereford as trustees.

#### No. 6.—LAZARUS, OR SICK MEN'S CHARITY.

1st. Neither the date nor the original founder are ascertained.

By Will, dated 27th January 1596, Mr. James Wilcox gave 20*s.* per annum, payable out of a house in the Northgate, Hereford, and also a barn and garden at the above Eign.

In 1604, Mr. William Price, merchant tailor, of London, gave 100*l.* to purchase a rent-charge of the clear yearly value of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

In 1614, Mr. Thomas Berrington gave 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly.

And on 2d October 1694, Sir William Gregory, knight, gave, by Will, a garden in a lane called Bowsey-lane, in the city of Hereford.

2d. The rents and rent-charge above mentioned are directed to be distributed amongst the poor women in Sick Men's Hospital, without Eign-gate, in the suburbs of the city of Hereford (with the exception of 13*s.* 4*d.* to the mayor for the time being, given by Mr. Price).

3d. The sum of 19*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* is now paid by the mayor and corporation; it is distributed annually by their chamberlain (occasional deductions being made for repairs) amongst the six poor women of the hospital for the time being. The poor women are elected by the minister and churchwardens of the parish of All Saints, in the said city. The Corporation have no management of the hospital further than the payment of the above funds.

#### No. 7.—LEWIS'S CHARITY.

1st. John Lewis, of the city of Hereford, glover, gave, by Will, his tenement and shop, in Capuchin-lane, to the mayor and two senior aldermen of Hereford.

2d. In trust, with the rents thereof, to place out as an apprentice one poor male child born in the city, to a free tradesman of the said city.

3d. The tenement and shop (which is very small and confined) is let upon a lease for one-and-twenty years, at the annual rent of six pounds, and the rent thereof is employed as directed by Mr. Lewis's Will.

#### No. 8.—SIR THOMAS WHITE'S CHARITY.

1st. By Deed of Covenant from the mayor and commonalty of Bristol, Sir Thomas White, lord mayor of London, 1st Mary, A. D. 1553, secured the sum of 104*l.*, to be paid once in 24 years to the mayor and commonalty of Hereford.

2d. To be put forth in free loan to four young freemen and occupiers of the city of Hereford, in sums of 25*l.* a piece, for the term of ten years, for ever.

3d. The city of Hereford receives 104*l.* every twenty-four years. The 4*l.* by the before mentioned deed goes to the mayor and commonalty of Hereford, the 100*l.* is put out in free loan, and security taken for return thereof at the end of the term, according to the directions of the donor, as contained in the said deed.

#### No. 9.—ABRAHALL'S CHARITY.

1st. By Will, dated 6th April 1640.

2d. John Abrahall, esquire, gave 5*l.* amongst 25 poor householders of good fame within the city and suburbs of Hereford, at Christmas and Pentecost, by even portions, at the discretion of the mayor and three canons of the cathedral.

3d. This charity is regularly distributed at Christmas and Whitsuntide, according to the trusts of the Will.



## No. 10.—WALTER'S DOLE.

- 1st. Left by John Walter, a native of Hereford, who died 29th December 1656. By Will, bearing date 17th October 1656, he bequeathed,
- 2d. To the poor of Hereford and poor prisoners, on the 20th December every year, 20*l.*, and charged the payment thereof upon certain messuages and premises belonging to the Company of Drapers in London, from whom the same is received.
- 3d. Annually distributed by the escheator, the customer and the coroner, members of the Corporation, appointed by the mayor for that purpose.

## No. 11.—COX'S CHARITY.

- 1st. Edmund Cox, esquire, an alderman of Hereford, bequeathed the interest of 200*l.* to be distributed yearly on the 25th March, by the mayor and senior alderman of the city, and the minister and churchwardens of All Saints.
- 2d. To poor housekeepers not receiving parochial assistance, reserving a preference in favour of all persons who had lived with the testator or worked for him; the distribution to be at the rate of 10*s.* to each person.
- 3d. 10 March 1830.—This charity money, namely, 446*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*, was invested in Three per Cent. Consols.
- The sum of 8*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*, part of the dividends thereof, is annually distributed in sums of 10*s.* each, by the mayor and minister and churchwardens of All Saints, amongst the poor and indigent of that parish.
- The sum of 4*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* is paid by the Corporation to the schoolmaster of the parish of Burghill for the time being, for the like purpose.

## No. 12.—WARD'S CHARITY.

- 1st & 2d. Sarah Ward, by Deed, dated 20th February 1656, charged two houses in Great St. Helen's, London, with the payment of 4*l.* yearly, for ever, on 29th September and 25th March, or within forty days after, by equal portions, at the Assurance house door in the Royal Exchange, London, to the Corporation of the city of Hereford, to put a freeman's child apprentice.
- 3d. This rent-charge is distributed according to the intentions of the donor.

## No. 13.—THOMAS SYMONDS'S CHARITY.

- 1st. Thomas Symonds, by Will, dated 8th March 1680, gave 50*l.*, to be laid out for the purpose of raising 3*l.* per annum, for ever.
- 2d. To be distributed to 20 poor housekeepers in St. Peter's parish on St. Thomas's-day, yearly, by the mayor and aldermen, and the vicar of St. Peter's for the time being.
- 3d. Distributed as directed by the donor.

## No. 14.—DOWLES'S GIFT.

- 1st. Bequeathed by Jane Dowles, 6th June 1678.
- 2d. The interest of 100*l.* to clothe twelve poor children, viz. six boys and six girls, on Christmas-eve.
- 3d. Annually distributed by the Corporation, they themselves adding sufficient from their funds to furnish the clothes.

## No. 15.—BRYDGES'S CHARITY.

- 1st. By Indentures, dated 28th March 1763, William Brydges, of Tibberton, in the county of Hereford, conveyed a house, &c. in Widemarsh-street, to the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Hereford.
- 2d. In trust, with the rents, issues and profits of the same, to pay 20*l.* per annum, clear of all deductions, to a minister of the Church of England, to perform divine service in the county gaol, such minister to be nominated by ballot by the majority of the justices of the county of Hereford, assembled at the Midsummer Quarter Sessions, on condition that they paid the further sum of 10*l.* per annum, as an addition to the said stipend; and on further trust, to pay 8*l.* annually to the poor prisoners and debtors confined in the gaols of the county and city of Hereford, by quarterly payments; also to pay three guineas to the chamberlain of the city for the time being, as a remuneration for his trouble in distributing the monies, receiving rents, keeping accounts, &c. The surplus, if any, to be laid by as a fund, apart from the Corporation monies, to meet any subsequent defalcation of rents, &c.
- 3d. This property was sold by auction under the provisions of an Act of Parliament, 35 Geo 3, c. 18, A. D. 1795, and in 1796, 1,028*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* was invested in the Three per Cent. Consols, in the names of the mayor, deputy steward and town clerk.
- By that Act of Parliament, the trusts are declared to be "in providing a minister of the Church of England to attend the poor debtors and other prisoners confined in the common gaols of the city and county of Hereford, and otherwise for the benefit and use, or on account of the said poor debtors and other prisoners;" and upon further trust, "to apply the surplus (if any) of the said dividends and annual produce for the benefit of the poor debtors and other prisoners confined in the common gaols of the city and county of Hereford, as the mayor, aldermen and citizens of the said city of Hereford for the time being shall think fit."
- Twenty pounds has been annually paid to the chaplain of the county gaol, but service not having been performed in the city gaol, the mayor, aldermen and citizens thought it fit to appoint a chaplain to the city prison, who since his appointment has performed divine service on Sundays and holydays, for which he is paid 15*l.* per annum.
- 7th September 1830. A further investment was made of the sum of 84*l.* 14*s.*, being the purchase of 100*l.* stock in the Three per Cents., with part of the surplus monies then in the hands of the chamberlain.

Last

Last year the sums paid were as follows:—

	£.	s.	d.
To prisoners in county gaol - - - - -	15	12	—
To prisoners in city gaol - - - - -	3	5	—
Salary to chaplain of county gaol - - - - -	20	—	—
Salary to chaplain of city prison - - - - -	15	—	—
Coal for city prison - - - - -	1	4	6
Chamberlain's allowance - - - - -	3	3	—
£.	57	4	6

#### No. 16.—LEINTHALL'S CHARITY.

John Green gave (9th December 1617) his bond of 200*l.* to Nicholas Drake and another, for securing 100*l.*, the interest of which at six per cent. for ever, viz.

1st. 40*s.* to the poor of Wellington, county of Hereford.

2d. 40*s.* to the poor of Holmer, county of Hereford.

3d. 40*s.* to the poor of St. Peter's, Hereford.

To be paid on the 20th March, yearly, at the market-place, where the judges of assize do sit, and is to be called the gift of Mr. William Leinthall.

The sum of 6*l.* is paid yearly by the chamberlains of the city, by the mayor's order.

#### No. 17.—GARDENER'S CHARITY.

1st. Left by Dr. Gardener, canon of Christ Church, Oxford, 8th April, 15th Car. 2.

2d. An annuity of 6*l.* per annum, to be paid one year to six poor indigent householders, one other year to bind some poor boy of the city apprentice to some handicraft tradesman, free of the said city, for seven years, and so to continue (*alternis viribus*) for ever, charged upon and issuing out of a piece of meadow land at a place called "The Weir," about four miles from Hereford.

3d. This money is appropriated annually on the first Monday in October, or within three months afterwards, according to the intentions of the donor.

#### No. 18.—HARPER'S CHARITY.

1st. William Harper gave, by Will, dated 8th September 1640, 16th Car., several messuages, lands and monies.

2d. For the purpose of binding poor children apprentices, to be appointed by the mayor and justices at the quarter sessions; not above 3*l.* to be given to any one apprentice; such apprentice not to be above twelve years old; orphans and poor fatherless children to be first preferred: no bastard to have any benefit.

3d. The funds arising from the above donation, amounting to 48*l.* per annum, are annually employed in placing out children as apprentices, with the approbation of the mayor and justices at the general quarter sessions of the peace, as directed by the Will of the donor.

#### No. 19.—MR. ROGER BOWCOTT'S CHARITY.

1st. Mr. Roger Bowcott, by his Will, bequeathed to the poor of the hospital in Bewell-street, in Hereford, a house called "The Scalding House," situate in Bye-street, in the said city.

2d. The rent of the above to be distributed amongst the said poor by the mayor and justices of the said city, on the rent days of payment thereof, or within ten days after.

3d. The rent is paid to the parish officers of All Saints parish, in the said city, who have the control and management of the said hospital.

#### No. 20.—DUKE OF CHANDOS'S CHARITY.

1st. 24th January 1761. His Grace the Duke of Chandos placed out on mortgage, in the name of the Mayor and Corporation of Hereford, the sum of 500*l.*; and they, by Deed of same date, declared the same to be the proper monies of the said Duke, and intrusted to their care, to employ for such purposes as the said Duke should appoint.

2d. The disposition of the above fund was subsequently left by the said Duke entirely to the mayor and common council, as appears by a letter from the Duke, now in the possession of Thomas Bird, esquire, one of the aldermen of the said city.

3d. The sum of 10*l.* is now distributed annually to ten poor freemen on the first Monday in December, or shortly afterwards.

And the further sum of 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* is paid towards the support of the poor of St. Giles's Hospital before mentioned.

The Corporation have within the last twenty years erected commodious and convenient markets, slaughter-houses and buildings, for holding sessions and carrying on public business, under the provisions of an Act of Parliament passed in the 56th Geo. 3, intituled, "An Act for enabling the Corporation of the City of Hereford to sell and apply the Produce of certain Messuages and Lands in establishing Market-places, and otherwise improving the said City."

The funds of the Corporation were not, however, found sufficient to complete these improvements without borrowing money, and the tolls of the markets are now charged with a debt of 3,016*l.*

Rich<sup>d</sup> Johnson, Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF HERTFORD.

The corporation of Hertford, with a few other gentlemen, are trustees of a school called the Green Coat School, for the education and clothing of 45 poor boys. The school is supported by an annuity of 26*l.* per annum, arising out of lands belonging to the corporation of Leicester, devised by the will of a Mr. Gabriel Newton; by the dividends arising from the sum of 2,533*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* Consols, being accumulations of the said sum of 26*l.* during a long and protracted claim by the heir-at-law of the said Gabriel Newton; and from the sum of 430*l.* Old South Sea Annuities and 350*l.* Consols, being legacies left to the charity; by voluntary contributions, and by an annual sum raised from a charity sermon preached in its behalf.

The corporation are also trustees of Hale's Free Grammar School; and the Right honourable Viscount Melbourne is the heir-at-law of the founder, and as such the patron, and has the appointment of the master. The property consists of a school-house, and an annuity of 40*l.* arising from an estate at Tewin, and this is all the endowment. Some years ago the school-house, &c. had fallen into decay, and the sum of 700*l.* and upwards was raised by voluntary contributions for the repairs. The 40*l.* is paid to the master, viz. 10*l.* for an usher, 10*l.* for repairs, and 20*l.* for the master.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Hertford.

	Names of Corporate Officers who have served the Office of Magistrate.	Profession or Trades.		Names of Corporate Officers who have served the Office of Magistrate.	Profession or Trade.
1812	Wm. Endersly Squire, Mayor	Maltster.	1823	Thomas Colbeck, Mayor	Surgeon.
	Matthias Gilbertson -	Draper.		John Ord -	Physician.
	Thomas Archer -	Butcher.		Henry Alington -	Solicitor.
1813	Henry Alington, Mayor	Solicitor.	1824	John Moses Carter, Mayor	Brewer.
	William Endersly Squire	Maltster.		Thomas Colbeck -	Surgeon.
	Matthias Gilbertson -	Draper.		John Ord -	Physician.
1814	Thomas Simson, Mayor	Stationer.	1825	Thomas Spence, Mayor	Maltster.
	Henry Alington -	Solicitor.		John Moses Carter -	Brewer.
	William Endersly Squire	Maltster.		Henry Alington -	Solicitor.
1815	Thomas Spence, Mayor	Gentleman.	1826	John Moses Carter, Mayor	Brewer.
	Thomas Simson -	Stationer.		Thomas Spence -	Gentleman.
	Henry Alington -	Solicitor.		Henry Alington -	Solicitor.
1816	Thomas Colbeck, Mayor	Surgeon.	1827	Edward Ellis, Mayor	Merchant.
	Thomas Spence -	Gentleman.		John Moses Carter -	Brewer.
	Thomas Simson -	Stationer.		Thomas Spence -	Gentleman.
1817	Edward Ellis, Mayor	Merchant.	1828	Edward Norwood, Mayor	Surgeon.
	Thomas Colbeck -	Surgeon.		Edward Ellis -	Merchant.
	Thomas Spence -	Gentleman.		John Moses Carter -	Brewer.
1818	Thomas Archer, Mayor	Butcher.	1829	Thomas Gripper, Mayor	Merchant.
	Edward Ellis -	Merchant.		Edward Norwood -	Surgeon.
	Thomas Colbeck -	Surgeon.		Edward Ellis -	Merchant.
1819	Matthias Gilbertson, Mayor	Draper.	1830	Joseph Lawrence, Mayor	Merchant.
	Thomas Archer -	Butcher.		Thomas Gripper -	Merchant.
	Edward Ellis -	Merchant.		Thomas Colbeck -	Surgeon.
1820	Wm. Endersly Squire, Mayor	Maltster.	1831	John Ayres, Mayor	Merchant.
	Matthias Gilbertson -	Draper.		Joseph Lawrence -	Merchant.
	Edward Ellis -	Merchant.		John Moses Carter -	Brewer.
1821	Henry Alington, Mayor	Solicitor.	1832	John Pemberton, Mayor	Builder.
	William Endersly Squire	Maltster.		John Ayres -	Merchant.
	Matthias Gilbertson -	Draper.		Joseph Lawrence -	Merchant.
1822	John Ord, Mayor	Physician.			
	Henry Alington -	Solicitor.			
	William Endersly Squire	Maltster.			

Hertford, 16 Feb. 1833.

Philip Longmore.

## CORPORATION OF HULL.

My Lord,

Guildhall, Hull, March 1833.

I beg to express to your Lordship the perfect readiness, on the part of the mayor and aldermen, to meet any investigation of their conduct, either in the management of the affairs of the corporation or in the exercise of their magisterial functions, which His Majesty's Government may think fit to adopt. The mayor and aldermen are the more anxious for the fullest inquiry, as they feel not only that they have themselves been grossly calumniated, but that the lower orders in the town have been imposed upon, had their minds poisoned, and been prejudiced against their magistrates by wicked and designing men for the worst of purposes, and who, with the view of advancing their own private and selfish interests, have not hesitated by every possible means to excite the people to a general spirit of discontent and resistance to all constituted authorities, whether local or otherwise.

I have the honour, &amp;c.

To the Right hon. Lord Vis. Melbourne,  
&c. &c. &c.George Codd,  
Town Clerk.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

NAMES of the Charities.	Description of Property, Funds, &c., and where Situate.	Rent, or Annual Proceeds.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Manner in which now distributed and applied.	OBSERVATIONS.
The Charter House, or God's House of Hull.	<i>In Hesse:</i> Sundry closes, fields and fore-shore, containing A. 119 0 22 <i>In Wellerby:</i> Sundry fields, containing 74 1 16 <i>In Cottingham:</i> Sundry fields, containing 81 3 4 <i>In Myton Lordship:</i> One field, containing 3 2 0 Sundry quit-rents - - - <i>In Hull:</i> Ground let on building leases for 60 years, from Oct. 1808 - Sundry houses, shops, public-houses, stails and a raff-yard One share in the Hull Docks - The sum of 2,700 <i>l.</i> in the 3 per cent. Consols, standing in the names of the master and three trustees - - - The sum of 992 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> , being the balance at the end of last year in the hands of the bankers - Interest on ditto, allowed by the bankers - - - One year's sale of the Hesse Cliff stone - - - Total - - - £.	£. s. d. 1,340 15 5½ 35 - - 81 - - - - - 34 10 - 210 - - 1,701 5 5½	- - By grants from the founder, Sir Michael Delapole, kt. lord of Wingfield, who established the hospital in the seventh year of the reign of King Richard the Second, and subsequent grants from his heirs, lords of the manor of Myton, near Hull, and from Christopher and Robert Dalton, clerks. The latter grants appear to have been made in the ninth year of the reign of King Henry the Fourth.  - - Purchased out of the surplus funds of the hospital.  - - Arising from surplus funds of the hospital.	- - Originally for the maintenance and support of 13 poor men and 13 poor women, feeble or old, constituted the brethren and sisters of the hospital, together with a priest, who was to be the master and keeper thereof; and upon the death or removal of the master, or any of the brethren or sisters, other proper persons to be appointed by the founder, and his heirs, lords of the manor of Myton, or in default, by others named in the grant.	- - In the maintenance and support of 28 brethren and 29 sisters; the number of the hospitaliers, as well as their stipends, having been from time to time increased according to the increased value of the property belonging to the charity. In 1764 the master's salary was increased to 100 <i>l.</i> per annum, and a house and garden belonging to the hospital assigned him for his residence by a decree of the Court of Chancery; and by another decree of the Court in 1813 his salary was further increased to 200 <i>l.</i> per annum. In 1780 the old hospital was taken down, and the present hospital, with a chapel, was erected; and in 1803 additional rooms were built for an increased number of hospitaliers.  auditors appointed according to the decree, and sworn to by him before a Master Extraordinary in Chancery. A new master was appointed in February last, in consequence of the decease of his predecessor; and the various buildings belonging to the charity are found to be so much out of repair, that it will not only consume the whole of the present balance, but will require very considerable management to repair what is requisite, and to keep up the present number of brethren and sisters without diminishing their weekly allowance.	- - In 1506, by the attainder for high treason of Edmund Delapole, son and heir of the founder, his estates, including the manor of Myton, became vested in the Crown, and King Edward the Sixth, in the sixth year of his reign, granted ( <i>inter alia</i> ) the said manor of Myton to the mayor and burgesses of Hull, and their successors; ever since which grant, the corporation, as lords of the manor, have exercised the right of nominating and appointing the master, brethren and sisters of the hospital. The master for the time being has both the management of the estates and revenues, and the general superintendence and regulation of the hospitaliers under the orders and directions of the said decree of the Court of Chancery, and his accounts are annually audited by
	Ferries's Charity for Apprenticing.	<i>At North Ferryby:</i> A farm-house, &c. A. R. P. 80 3 15 A dwelling-house - - - Three tenements - - - The sum of 328 <i>l.</i> 3 per cent. Consols - - - Total - - - £.	126 - - 15 - - 15 4 6 9 16 8 166 1 2	- - By a devise in the will of Thomas Ferries, formerly an alderman of Hull, will dated 22 Jan. 1630, whereby he devised to the mayor and burgesses of Hull, and their successors, all his property at North Ferryby, in the county of the town of Kingston-upon-Hull, and the fields or places thereof, then let at the yearly rent of 20 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> The Consols purchased out of unapplied balances.	- - After the expenses of necessary repairs, &c. in apprenticing fatherless children; the premiums given with boys bound for seven years being 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> , and smaller sums if bound for shorter terms, and with girls 3 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> or less.	- - The accounts of this charity are kept by the town's husband, or common officer of the corporation, and are audited once every year by the finance committee of the corporation.

-- These two charities have for a long time past been consolidated and administered together as one, such being considered more useful and beneficial. The mayor and aldermen choose the exhibitors, there being sometimes three or four candidates. The accounts are kept by the town's husband, and are audited annually by the finance committee of the corporation.

-- £. 3. 6. 8. annually distributed amongst poor persons of Hull, and 1*l*. annually paid to the churchwardens of Howden, for distribution amongst the poor there; after deducting these sums, and repairs, &c. the two exhibitions together, have, since Oct. 1838, been 75*l*. per ann., which sum has been and is now paid to a poor scholar of Hull at the University of Cambridge, and is continued three years in succession to each exhibitor.

Bury's devise : for a scholarship upon some poor scholar apt to learn, born within the town of Kingston-upon-Hull, or the town of Beverley, in the county of York ; and when any such should be fit for Cambridge, the said mayor and burgesses to bestow the rent of the property upon such poor scholar in their discretion, for his better exhibition and maintenance at Cambridge.

-- A surplus balance is usually left every year, which is kept in a bank at Hull ; the present balance is 153*l*. 16*s*. 2*d*. Since the death of the original trustees the several estates have been from time to time conveyed to 12 aldermen of Hull. The Rev. John Coltman of Beverley, as the heir of the founder, exercises his right of nomination of two men and two women, the other eight being appointed by the mayor and aldermen. The accounts are kept by the town's husband, as clerk to the charity, and are regularly audited every year by the finance committee of the corporation.

There was a considerable balance in hand from the accumulation of several years' surpluses, which enabled the trustees to meet the extraordinary expenditure of a lawsuit, in which they were successful, and which, if lost, or the claim submitted to, would have diminished the value of the property.

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-- Ferries's devise : to pay yearly at Christmas to the poor people of Hull 3*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*., and 20*s*. yearly to the poor of Howden, the surplus (after charges for repairs) towards the yearly maintenance of a poor scholar of Hull at the University of Cambridge or Oxford, and in default, then to such poor scholar of the next town adjoining, at the discretion of the mayor and aldermen of Hull.

Bury's devise : for a scholarship upon some poor scholar apt to learn, born within the town of Kingston-upon-Hull, or the town of Beverley, in the county of York ; and when any such should be fit for Cambridge, the said mayor and burgesses to bestow the rent of the property upon such poor scholar in their discretion, for his better exhibition and maintenance at Cambridge.

-- The 400*l*. to be employed in the purchase of land, the profit of which, as of the other property vested in the trustees, to be applied as follows ; viz. 40*s*. a year to the preacher-assistant, with the house at the end of the hospital for him to inhabit, and the residue, (except such sums as were necessary for reparations) 20*s*. a year, for the entertainment of the trustees at the time of their meetings, and for paying the clerk for keeping the accounts, to be distributed yearly amongst the said poor people, rate and rate alike. When the trustees by death were reduced to two, the two to convey the property to the 12 senior aldermen of Hull, and their heirs, and so from time to time accordingly. The testator's wife, during her life, to nominate two of the poor women, and his eldest son two of the men, and after her death testator's heirs to nominate two poor men and two poor women, and the mayor and aldermen of Hull to appoint the remainder.

-- By a devise in the aforesaid will of Thomas Ferries to the said mayor and burgesses, and their successors, of testator's messuages in High-street of Hull ; also by a devise in the will of Thos. Bury of Hull, scrivener, who gave his estate in Scale-lane (after the determination of two lives) to the said mayor and burgesses ; the will bears date 8 June 1627. The Consols were purchased in January 1820 out of a balance in hand, and with the view of improving the exhibition.

-- Under the will of Sir John Lister, knight, dated 20 Dec. 1640, who, after declaring his intention to erect an hospital for the habitation and sustentation of six poor men and six poor women in or near Hull, bequeathed unto the then mayor, seven of the aldermen, and six others, and their heirs, all his property in Trinity-church-yard in Hull, together with 200*l*., on trust to pull down the buildings and erect an hospital as therein directed ; together with a house at the end for the preacher-assistant at St. Trinity Church ; also 18 acres of land, and 11 beast gates in Thorgumbald and Borehouse Hill ; and also the sum of 400*l*.

Part of the land purchased with the 400*l*. was sold in the year 1800 to the commissioners of the Beverley and Barmston drainage under the Act, for the sum of 900*l*., with which the 1,128*l*. 10*s*. 6*d*. was purchased in the 4 per cents., now 3*½* reduced, and the 500*l*. 3 per cents. were purchased with surplus balances.

*In Hull :*  
A house and warehouse in High-street, Hull - - - 75 - -  
A house and ground, let on a building lease, which will expire in the year 1838, in Scale-lane, Hull - - - 12 - -  
The sum of 105*l*. in the 3*½* per cent. Consols - - - 3 13 6  
Total - - - £. 90 13 6

*At Thorgumbald, in Holderness :*  
Sundry fields, con- A. R. P. taining - - - 31 0 14 75 - -  
*In Sculcoates Parish :*  
Garden land, containing - - - 11 2 0 64 4 -  
Sundry closes, containing - - - 22 2 0 88 10 -  
Ground let on building lease for 48 years from the year 1822, containing - - - 2 0 0 30 - -  
The sum of 1,128*l*. 10*s*. 6*d*. in the reduced 3*½* per cents. - - - 39 9 10  
The sum of 500*l*. in the 3 per cent. Consols - - - 15 - -  
Total - - - £. 312 3 10

Charities of Aldermen Ferries and Thos. Bury for Exhibitions.

Lister's Hospital, Hull.

NAMES of the Charities.	Description of Property, Funds, &c. and where situate.	Rent, or Annual Proceeds.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Manner in which now distributed and applied.	OBSERVATIONS.
Cogan's Charity for a Girl's School.	<p><i>In Hull:</i>            An auction-room and premises in Bow-alley-lane - - -            A house in ditto - - -            A house in ditto, let off into several offices - - -            The sum of 1,259<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> 3<i>d.</i> in the reduced 3<i>½d.</i> per cents.            The sum of 2,600<i>l.</i>, in the 3 per cent. Consols - - -            The sum of 200<i>l.</i>, secured on a mortgage of the county rates of the town and county of Hull, at 5 per cent. - - -            The sum of 5,000<i>l.</i>, secured by a bond under the common seal of the corporation of Hull, at 4<i>l.</i> per cent. per annum - - -            Total - - - <i>£.</i></p>	<p><i>£.</i>    <i>s.</i>    <i>d.</i>            52 10 -            26 - - -            47 5 6            44 1 10            78 - - -            10 - - -            200 - - -            457 17 4</p>	<p>- - By grant and conveyance, dated 2d July 1753, from Wm. Cogan, alderman of Hull, to three trustees therein named, and by a transfer from the said William Cogan to the said trustees of 2,000<i>l.</i> three per cent. Consols. The 1,259<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> 3<i>d.</i>, 3<i>½</i> per cents., raised out of accumulated balances. Original transfer by the founder.</p> <p>Raised out of accumulated balances.</p> <p>- - Supposed to have been given or appropriated for the purpose by Alderman Cogan, the founder.</p>	<p>- - Upon trust to employ the dividends, rents and profits, or so much as should be necessary in clothing 20 poor female children, providing a mistress to instruct them, books for them to read, and for payment of salaries, allowances and rewards, viz. 10<i>l.</i> a year to be set apart for buying a Bible for each child having been three years in the school, and for laying out 20<i>s.</i> each at the end of the term, or within three months after, for fitting them with necessities for service, in case they should go out to service in that time with the approbation of the trustees, and the surplus to be laid up until 100<i>l.</i> be raised, which, with all future surpluses, should be kept out at interest as an accumulation fund for repairs, rebuilding, or improving the property, replacing and keeping up the 2,000<i>l.</i> annuity stock, and for other contingencies; and when a sufficient fund for the purposes aforesaid should be raised, the interest of such accumulating fund, or so much as the trustees, or any two of them, should think fit, to be disposed of in enlarging the number of poor girls; the surviving trustees from time to time to appoint other trustees (in the room of those dying) out of the 13 aldermen and recorder of the town for the time being. The original deed also contains some minor directions as to the meetings of the trustees, particularly on Whit-Monday, the auditing of the accounts, the ages, &amp;c. of the children, the mode of instructing them, the purchasing of clothes and other necessities, the rewards to the children, &amp;c.; and that the legal estate and interest in the property and funds should be conveyed and assigned as often as the trustees should be reduced to one, or all die.</p>	<p>- - Besides repairing and keeping up the school-house and other property belonging to the charity, in clothing a number of poor female children, and instructing them in reading, writing, knitting, sewing and household work, in order to fit them for service. The number has from time to time been increased according to the increase of the funds. The directions of the deed, with respect to giving Bibles, &amp;c. are followed. The last year's expenditure is as follows; viz.</p> <p>Clothing for the children, books and sundries for school - <i>£.</i> 331 2 10            Salaries of mistress and clerk - 80 - -            Repairs, coals, insurance, &amp;c. and sundry expenses - 58 14 9            Total - - <i>£.</i> 469 17 7</p>	<p>- - The present trustees are three of the aldermen of Hull, each of whom nominates an equal portion of the girls, who remain three years at the school. Work is sent to the school by the inhabitants of Hull, to be done by the children, the profits of which are carried to the credit of the charity; these profits were formerly received by the mistress. A sermon is preached annually as directed by the trust deed. The accounts of the clerk are settled and audited on every Whit-Monday, and any balance lodged with a banker until otherwise invested.            The balance last Whit-Monday was 107<i>l.</i> 16<i>s.</i> 5<i>d.</i></p>

Cogan's Charity for Marriage Portions.	-- The sum of 400 <i>l.</i> in the 3 per cent. Consols.	12	-- By transfer from the before-named William Cogan to the three trustees named in before-mentioned deed, the said William Cogan at the same time executing a new deed of trust as to this fund, bearing date the 1st day of June 1760.	-- For providing and giving marriage portions to the poor girls educated at the Cogan's Charity School, at certain times and under certain conditions, in the discretion of the trustees, as in the deed particularly set forth.	-- The sum of 6 <i>l.</i> , as a marriage portion, is given to each girl brought up at the school on her marriage, the trustees requiring the production of certificates, as directed by the trust deed. It appears, however, that the applications are not numerous; and there was nothing given during the last year, in consequence of which there is now a balance of 50 <i>l.</i> in the banker's hands, arising from unapplied dividends.	-- The precise directions of this trust deed cannot be executed, it being therein contemplated, that every set of girls chosen once in three years should have 120 <i>l.</i> , whereas it requires a much longer period to raise that sum from the dividends of 400 <i>l.</i> 3 per cent. stock. Whenever the accruing balance is 120 <i>l.</i> or more, the trustees divide the whole, or nearly so, amongst those living who had previously received marriage portions, in such proportions as they think proper. The accounts are audited yearly on Whit-Monday.	
Weavers' Hospital, Hull.	-- An almshouse, situate in Dagger-lane, in Hull, containing apartments for six poor women. Ground and three tenements, adjoining the hospital The sum of 410 <i>l.</i> in the hands of the mayor and burgesses of Hull.	30 18	-- Supposed to have been erected by a weaver, but no original endowment has been found; indeed it is stated in Tickell's History of Hull, that the house was bequeathed by the weaver to the mayor and aldermen, but that he had it not in his power to endow it, and that it remained without provision until Mr. Buttery removed the defect. Three mortgages for the sums of 150 <i>l.</i> , 110 <i>l.</i> and 150 <i>l.</i> , assigned to the mayor and burgesses of Hull by Mr. John Buttery, by indenture, dated 28th March 1775.	-- The six poor women who inhabit the hospital are each paid 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> a week, together with an annual supply of coals and turves, and occasional benefactions, on days of public rejoicing, &c. The almshouse and all the premises are maintained and kept in repair by the corporation.	-- The mayor and aldermen appoint the hospitaliers. There is no particular account kept, or any specific appropriation in the corporation's books, of the interest of the 410 <i>l.</i> , or the rents of the ground and tenements, towards the support of the hospital, as there is no doubt that the weekly payments and allowances to the hospitaliers, and the repairs of the property, considerably exceed the income arising from those sources.	-- The building is old, and having only 12 rooms will not accommodate more than 12 poor persons. The mayor and aldermen appoint the hospitaliers. There is no separate account kept, or specific appropriation of the interest of the 346 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> , as the payments and allowances exceed the interest; and nothing is now known of the property stated in the History of Hull to have been conveyed in 1445 to the corporation.	(continued)
Gregg's Almshouse, Hull.	-- An almshouse, situate in Postern-gate, in Hull, with 12 rooms, occupied by 12 poor women. The sum of 346 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> in the hands of the mayor and burgesses of Hull, paid in the year 1779 by Mr. John Buttery.		-- No writings have been discovered respecting the original foundation or endowment of this almshouse; but in Tickell's History of Hull the hospital and two chantries are stated to have been founded by John Gregg, an alderman and merchant of Hull, in the 3d year of King Hen. 6. and that certain lands and tenements in Hull were, in 1445, conveyed to the mayor and burgesses, to maintain the hospital, and pay yearly to 12 poor persons therein 3 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> , viz. 1 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> every Sunday.	-- The 12 poor women inhabiting this hospital are each paid 2 <i>s.</i> a week, together with an annual supply of coals and turves, and occasional benefactions as above. The almshouse and premises are maintained and kept in repair by the corporation.			



# NAMES of the Charities.	Description of Property, Funds, &c., and where situate.	Rent, or Annual Proceeds.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Manner in which now distributed and applied.	OBSERVATIONS.
Bishop Watson's Hospital, Hull.	<p>-- An hospital containing 20 rooms or apartments, situate on the north side of the Holy Trinity church, in Hull.</p> <p>The before-mentioned sum of 346<i>l.</i> 6<i>s.</i> 8<i>d.</i>, given by John Buttery towards the support of the poor persons in this hospital and Gregg's almshouse --</p>	<p>£. s. d.</p> <p>- - -</p>	<p>-- Erected about the year 1690, by Thomas Watson, Bishop of St. David's, but not endowed by him with any property.</p> <p>-- <i>Vide</i> before as to Gregg's Hospital.</p>	<p>-- For 20 poor persons, as many men as women. Six of the rooms were reserved to the founder's own disposal, and trustees appointed by him on his death, and the remaining 14 rooms to the disposal of the mayor and aldermen of Hull, and the minister of Holy Trinity church for the time being, whom he also appointed governors of the hospital, not doubting they would take some care of the fabric, to pay each of the poor persons the sum of 4<i>d.</i> a week.</p>	<p>-- Fourteen of the poor women inhabiting the hospital are each paid 2<i>s.</i> a week, and also a quarterly allowance of half a chaldron of coals and a supply of turves every quarter by the corporation. The premises are also kept in repair at the joint expense of the mayor and burgesses, and the Trinity-house of Hull, in proportion to their respective rights of appointing the hospitaliers.</p>	<p>-- The mayor and aldermen of Hull appoint to 14 rooms in the hospital, and the Trinity-house to the remaining six rooms; and the hospitaliers appointed by the Trinity-house are also maintained by that corporation. The mayor and burgesses keep no separate account, or make any specific appropriation of the interest of Buttery's money, as the payment to the hospitaliers and the repairs exceed that source of income.</p>
Gee's Almshouse, Hull.	<p>-- An almshouse containing rooms for 10 poor women, situate in Chapel-lane, in Hull.</p> <p>One house in Chapel-lane aforesaid --</p> <p>Ground let on building lease, which expires in 1837 --</p> <p>Ground let on lease, which expires in 1862 --</p> <p>Total --</p>	<p>- - -</p> <p>44 - -</p> <p>10 10 -</p> <p>5 - -</p> <p>59 10 -</p>	<p>-- Erected by William Gee, formerly a merchant and alderman of Hull, and by his will, dated 22d October 1600, given and bequeathed to the town's chamber of Kingston-upon-Hull, together with four tenements, two houses, and a great chamber, in Chapel-lane, supposed to be the said house and ground there now held by the mayor and burgesses.</p>	<p>-- For the habitation of 10 poor women having no children, who were to be paid by the corporation 4<i>d.</i> each per week for ever.</p>	<p>-- The 10 poor women inhabiting the almshouse are paid the sum of 2<i>s.</i> per week each, together also with an adequate supply of coals and turves every quarter, and the property is maintained and kept in repair.</p>	<p>-- The mayor and aldermen appoint to the rooms, and as the payments and allowances to the hospitaliers and the repairs exceed in amount the income arising from the premises in Chapel-lane, no distinct account or appropriation of the rents is kept, but they are comprised in the general accounts of the corporation.</p>
Harrison's Hospital, Hull.	<p>-- An hospital containing 14 rooms for that number of poor women, situate in Chapel-lane, Hull. Ten rooms formed the original building, and four others were added by Mary Fox, widow. The sum of 400<i>l.</i> vested with the mayor and burgesses of Hull.</p>	<p>- - -</p> <p>- - -</p> <p>- - -</p>	<p>-- Ten rooms, erected about the year 1550, by John Harrison, alderman of Hull; and about the year 1795 Mrs. Mary Fox, widow, erected four additional rooms.</p> <p>-- Paid to the said mayor and burgesses by Mrs. Fox.</p>	<p>-- For the habitation of 10 poor women. For the habitation of four poor women who should be single. To pay to Mrs. Fox 20<i>l.</i> during her life, and afterwards to divide that sum equally, by weekly payments, amongst the four poor women to dwell in the rooms built by her, two of whom after her death should be appointed by her nephews, their heirs and appointees, and the other two by the said mayor and burgesses.</p>	<p>-- The 14 poor women inhabiting the hospital are paid the sum of 2<i>s.</i> a week each, with a supply of coals and turves every quarter, and the property is kept in repair.</p>	<p>-- The mayor and aldermen appoint to 12 rooms, and the heirs of Mrs. Fox's nephews to the remaining two rooms. Though it is stated in Tickell's History of Hull, that this hospital was endowed by the founder with property in High-street, Hull, Coltingham, Eastwick and Barton, in Lincolnshire, there appears to be no authority for the statement, as the corporation are not known ever to have had property in any of those places, except the High-street in Hull, part of which belongs to Ferries's charity, and the remainder is supposed to be included in the grant of the town, and there has never been any specific appropriation of the rents to charitable purposes. No will or writings showing any endowment are in the possession of the corporation. The weekly stipend and allowances to the poor women occupying the four rooms built by Mrs. Fox will amount to more annually than the 20<i>l.</i> a year by her directed to be paid.</p>

<p>460. Salthouse-lane Hospital, Hull.</p>	<p>- An hospital for four poor persons in Salthouse-lane, in Hull.</p>	<p>- Under and by virtue of the will of Robert Ratcliffe, dated 14th August 1572, by which he ordained that his two tenements, with the gardens and appurtenances, in Salthouse-lane, should be a house for the poor, and that his cowgate for one cow in the Kirk Field should remain and be to the two tenements; and that the mayor of Kingston-upon-Hull and his successors should have the ordering of the property, and the placing of the poor therein.</p>	<p>- The rents to be employed in wood and turves, or coals, towards the relief of the poor to be placed in the house.</p>	<p>- The hospital was rebuilt and enlarged by the corporation in the year 1829, and now accommodates six poor women, who are each paid 2 s. 6 d. a week, with a supply of coals and turves once every quarter.</p>	<p>- The mayor and aldermen appoint the six poor women. The corporation are not in the possession of any property in Kirk Field, nor is it now known where Kirk Field was situate, nor have they any property or funds whatever which can be recognized as given for the support of the hospital; the payments and expenses are therefore paid out of the general corporate funds.</p>
<p>Crowle's Hospital, Hull.</p>	<p>- An hospital containing 12 rooms, situate in Sewer-lane, in Hull.</p>	<p>- Erected in or about the year 1661, by George Crowle, an alderman and merchant of Hull, and by his will, dated 26th June 1682, given to the mayor and aldermen of Hull and their heirs. The 8 l. per annum is by the said will charged on property devised to testator's son William. The premises in Broad-lane are supposed to have been given by the said William Crowle for the better support of the poor in the hospital. This, however, only appears by a recital in an attested copy of a demise of the premises, dated 14th January 1750. The money in the funds was purchased with the sum of 100 l., given in November 1821, by Mr. Daniel Wilson, the representative of the Crowle family.</p>	<p>- For the habitation of 12 poor persons. The rent-charge for purchasing six chaldron of coals and 6,000 turves, yearly, for the poor in the hospital, and for necessary repairs. The premises in Broad-entry for the better maintenance of the poor in the hospital, and the sum of 100 l. laid out in stock to pay the interest thereof, equally amongst the poor in the hospital, at Christmas.</p>	<p>- There are 14 poor persons inhabiting the hospital, who are each of them paid 2 s. 6 d. a week, with an allowance of coals and turves, and the dividends of the stock are distributed equally every Christmas, according to the directions of the donor. The hospital and premises are also kept in repair.</p>	<p>- The mayor and aldermen appoint to the rooms. The annual stipend, allowances and repairs, are considerably more than the income arising from the property. The accounts are kept by the town's husband, with the general accounts of the corporation.</p>
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Guildhall, Hull, 13 March 1833.

Geo. Codd, Town Clerk.

NAMES of the Charities.	Description of Property, Funds, &c., and where situate.	Rent, or Annual Proceeds.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Manner in which now distributed and applied.	OBSERVATIONS.
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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Kingston-upon-Hull.*

A. D.	NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.	Office by virtue of which they have become Magistrates.	OBSERVATIONS.
1812.	Sir Henry Etherington, bart.	- - -	Alderman -	These were the 13 aldermen of the corporation (being the number appointed by the charter, and one of them being also mayor) on the 1st day of January 1812, and no change took place until the month of July in that year.
-	William Osbourne -	Merchant -	ditto -	
-	John Sykes -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	John Wray -	Banker and Merchant.	ditto -	
-	*William Watson Bolton -	Merchant -	ditto -	
-	John Bateman -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	Joseph Egginton -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	William Jarratt -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	Edward Foster Coulson -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	*Richard William Moxon -	Banker and Merchant.	ditto -	
-	Nicholas Sykes -	Merchant -	ditto -	
-	Andrew Hollingsworth -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	*George Schonswar -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	Robert Osborne -	Barrister-at-Law	Recorder.	Elected in the room of John Sykes, resigned. John Bateman, resigned. Andrew Hollingsworth, deceased. Sir Henry Etherington, deceased. John Wray, deceased. Robert Osborne, resigned. Charles Wray, resigned. Edward Foster Coulson, deceased. Nicholas Sykes, resigned. Joseph Egginton, deceased. John Carrick, deceased. William Jarratt, deceased. William Osbourne, deceased. Daniel Sykes, resigned.
-	*William Hall -	Merchant -	Alderman -	
-	John Carrick -	ditto -	ditto -	
1813.	*Christopher Bolton -	ditto -	ditto -	
1819.	*Henry Thompson -	ditto -	ditto -	
1820.	*Charles Whitaker -	ditto -	ditto -	
-	Charles Wray -	Barrister-at-Law	Recorder -	
1821.	Daniel Sykes -	- ditto -	ditto -	
1824.	*George Coulson -	Merchant -	Alderman -	
1827.	*Avison Terry -	ditto -	ditto -	
1831.	*Robert Raikes the younger	Banker -	ditto -	
-	*John Barkworth -	Merchant -	ditto -	
-	*Thomas Bentley Locke -	Banker -	ditto -	
-	*Francis Hall -	Merchant -	ditto -	
-	*Creswell Creswell -	Barrister-at-Law	Recorder -	

The 14 names marked with an asterisk constitute the present mayor, recorder and aldermen of the corporation, John Barkworth, esq., being the mayor.

*Geo. Codd, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF HUNTINGDON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*St. Margaret's Hospital.*—An ancient hospital, dedicated to St. Margaret, was founded in the north end of Huntingdon in the reign of Henry 2, for a master and brethren and several leprous and infirm people. Malcolm, King of Scotland and Earl of Huntingdon, who died in the year 1165, was either the founder or a great benefactor to this charity. King Edward 3, by charter confirmed to the hospital the donations of Malcolm, King of Scotland; Isabell, Robert and Bernard de Bruys (Bruce), and of Nicol. Caperon. These benefactions consisted of lands lying in Konitone (Connington), Baldwyneshowa (Balm's Hole), and Steveclya (Stukely).

In the 24 Henry 6 (1445), after the death or cession of the master, the hospital was annexed to Trinity Hall in Cambridge, by letters patent, addressed "to the warden of the hall of the Holy Trinity, Cambridge."

King Edward 4, in the first year of his reign (1461), recited and confirmed the above grant.

The following ancient enumeration of estates occurs in a book belonging to the corporation :

*St. Margaret's Hospital, called the Spittles.*—One close by the Spittles and new pasture, late in the occupation of William Woodward, and now in the occupation of William Browning, at per annum, 3*l*.

One house next the Three Cups and Thomas Nun's, late in the occupation of John Sharp, at 13*s*. 4*d*. per annum, and now in the occupation of William Nunn, at per annum, 1*l*. 10*s*.

One ley at Blackstone Leys, held by John Clark, jun., 5*s*.

A piece of land next to Balmshole Farmhouse, held by Sir Lionel Walden, at per annum, 4*s*.

A piece of land in Stukely Field, next Cook's Close, now Mr. Henry Bowse's, held by Sir Lionel Walden, 2*s*. 6*d*.

*St. John's*

*St. John's Hospital.*—This rich and charitable endowment was founded in the reign of Henry 2, by David Earl of Huntingdon, who married Maud, the widow of Simon de St. Lize, and eldest daughter of Waldeof Earl of Huntingdon\*.

From an inquisition taken by 14 gentlemen (William Walleys, Richard Bush, Anthony Dixon, George Dawson, Richard Walleys, Thomas Coppingay, William Jay, William Lampkin, John Powis, Thomas Handish, George Ringstead, Thomas Fisher, Thomas Holmes, and Thomas Brown, William Fluyd being then master), under a commission in 1570, it appears that the hospital was founded for the maintenance and relief of poor people, and the support of a free grammar-school, at the costs and charges of the master of the hospital for the time being; that there had been in 1 Eliz., and then was kept and relieved in the same hospital, one almshouse for two poor folks at the least, inhabitants of the town of Huntingdon, besides pilgrims and other poor strangers travelling by the way, who were nightly brought up by the constables, and lodged, sustained, relieved and comforted by the master, out of the revenues of the hospital. The two first objects, the support of a free grammar-school, and of almshouses for two poor inhabitants, have always been fulfilled with exemplary attention; but the third provision (suited to a more primitive state of society than the present) has necessarily been annulled by the subsequent enactment of the Poor Laws.

Since the period of the above inquisition, if not before, the bailiffs and burgesses, and subsequently the mayor and aldermen of the borough, have acted as visitors of the hospital, usually appointing the mayor for the time being master or superintendent of the charity. The Vice-chancellor, however, has recently declared the office of master of the hospital to be incompatible with the character of corporator.

The affairs of this charity have been in Chancery since 1812. On the last consideration of the case the Vice-chancellor decreed "that it be referred to the Master (in Chancery) to inquire and state what is the constitution of the hospital of St. John the Baptist, who are the masters or trustees thereof, in whom the appointment of master of the hospital and of schoolmaster severally resides, and in whom the lands of the hospital are legally vested, or capable of being vested; and let the master, in considering the scheme for the future management of the charity, approve of the proper qualifications for the offices of master of the hospital and schoolmaster respectively."

In the 26th of Henry 8 this hospital was valued at *9 l. 4 s.* per annum in the whole, and *6 l. 7 s. 8 d.* clear.

The hospital was situate in the parish of All Saints, where part of the ancient building still remains. The present grammar-school house seems to have been the ancient chapel, and is undoubtedly a building of great antiquity. The dwelling-house of the schoolmaster was rebuilt in 1561, as appears from the records of the corporation.

In the year 1263, Master John de Lendsay and John de Welldon, commissaries of the Bishop of Lincoln, granted to the hospital the right of having a chapel, chaplain, chantry, bell, burying ground and sacrament; and, as appears from an ancient deed without date, William Carey, of Huntingdon, granted to God and the hospital of St. John the Baptist, in the market of Huntingdon, one field in the parish of All Saints, for the support of a lamp in the said hospital, at the rent of *5 d.* at Hokeday (about Candlemas).

Isabell de Brus, daughter of Earl David (the founder), in her widowhood (to warm the poor and weak), did give 10,000 turfs yearly, out of the turbary of Cunnington, to dig and take out of the marsh or fen of the said town, where they would choose, to hold to the hospital and the poor brethren and infirm of that place, according to the disposition of the rector therein, free, pure and perpetual alms.

Simon de St. Lize gave to the hospital half a yard of land † in Great Stukely, that which Walter Wallensis held, and 30 burras which abutted upon the division of Great Stukely.

Adulton, son of Walter, grants to God and the brethren of St. John's Hospital, and their successors, three acres of land in the fields of Folksworth, to hold in pure alms. (No date.)

Henry Miles also granted to the hospital half a yard of land (10 or 15 acres) in the same parish.

In an ancient deed, without date, John Rejons, of Huntingdon, released to Simon of Adyngton, chaplain, master of the hospital of St. John of Huntingdon, and the brethren serving God, all his right in one croft in the parish of St. Lawrence, Huntingdon, situate between the churchyard of St. Lawrence and the street called Eldebrydge-street; one head thereof abuts on the land of Stephen de Aula, and another head upon the highway; to hold to the aforesaid master and brethren for ever.

In 1509 Ellena Preston granted to Thomas Erythe, chaplain and master of St. John's Hospital, Huntingdon, one acre of land, lying separately in the fields of Great Stukely; one part lies in the Long-downe, near the land of the prior of Huntingdon on the east, and another part on the Short-downe, and another part on the Pees Furlong.—Note at the bottom of this deed:

"Thys longs to St. Ionyes for an acre that I changed wth Mastr Sowth in Sawtre field in ye closse nexte St. Andrew church."

Tanner, in his *Notitia Monastica*, says, "it appears from the Norwich Register, that the master-ship of this hospital was in the gift of the bailiffs and commonalty of Huntingdon." The form of presentation, however, appears to have varied materially in the different reigns, as the following appointments, selected from the registry of the Bishop of Lincoln, sufficiently evince.

"In 1318, Edw. 2, William de Halton was presented by the community."

"In 1328, Edw. 3, Adam le Teynturr was presented by the coroners, bailiffs and the whole community of the same town."

"In 1335, Edw. 3, Henry, son of Thomas de Luten, was presented by Michael de Colne and Lawrence de Leicester, coroners, John Richards, Thomas de Luten, Nicolas Gaude, and Roger son of Margery, the bailiff, and the whole community of the same town."

"In 1489, Henry 7, Thomas Creth was presented by the coroners and the major part of the burgesses."

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\* The roll in which the endowment of the hospital would probably be found is missing from the records of the Exchequer, so that the precise date of the foundation of the hospital cannot be ascertained. The earliest presentation of master to the hospital, which occurs in the rolls of the Bishop of Lincoln, is in the year 1261.

† A yard of land varied from 20 to 30 acres.

"In 1517, Henry 8, William Thorpe was presented by the coroners, bailiffs, burgesses and others of the community of the town of Huntingdon."

"In 1522, Henry 8, William Taylor, Doctor of Laws in both kinds, was presented by Thomas Thoy and Walter Thoday, bailiffs, and also by the consent of the burgesses and the community there."

"In 1546, Henry 8, Edward Crowder was presented by the discrete person Thomas Hall, M. D., by a grant to the same *pro hac vice*, made by the burgesses of the town of Huntingdon."

"In 1551, Queen Elizabeth, William Stockworth was presented by the bailiffs and burgesses of the whole community of the town and borough of Huntingdon."

"In 1599, Queen Elizabeth, Tobias Bland was presented by Robert Cromwell and Robert Cooke, the bailiffs of the town, and the burgesses of the same."

"In 1605, James 1, Thomas Beard was presented by John Todd and Thomas Cooke, discrete men, the true and undoubted patrons of the hospital of the town, by reason of advowson made and granted to them by the burgesses."

"In 1665, Charles 2, Francis Barnard was presented by the mayor, aldermen and burgesses."

So far back as the year 1315 (Edw. 2) a dispute arose as to the right of presentation to the hospital, when "the commonalty of the town of Huntingdon and Simon de Broghton, master of the hospital, were summoned to answer the lord the King of a plea, that they permit the same lord the King to present a fit person to the hospital of St. John the Baptist, of Huntingdon, which is vacant, and to the donation of the same King belongeth."

A day being given for the parties to discourse together, William de Langalee, who sued for the King and the commonalty of Huntingdon, with Simon de Broghton, appeared in court at the stated time, when William de Langalee informed them, that "having had discourse with the lord the King upon the said business, and having shown that neither John de Broghton, clerk (whom the King wished to present), nor any other, knoweth to instruct or inform the same William upon any right of the King to the presentation to the aforesaid hospital; the lord the King, as he asserts, thus answereth him: 'We will not that you nor any other prosecute anything in our name, unless in just and honest causes;' whereupon the same William de Langalee truly saith, that he is not informed or instructed to plead for the lord the King, nor willet now to sue against the commonalty in the writs abovesaid\*."

Another, though a more covert, attempt to vest the presentation of master to this hospital in the power of the Crown, was made in the year 1532, by that rapacious yet gamesome and popular tyrant, Henry 8, of whom it was aptly said by his subjects, "that though he abjured the Pope of Rome, he had a Pope in his belly equally powerful." The following is the answer of the bailiffs and burgesses, who, it appears, granted the King's request, but reserved to themselves and successors the right of nominating all succeeding masters:

"Whereas it pleaseth the King, of his most noble grace, to write unto us the bailiffs of the borough of Huntingdon, and to all the burgesses of the same, of and for our consent and assent to the next avoidance of the house and hospital of St. John, in Huntingdon, being of our gift (as is apparent unto his grace), as it appeareth by his gracious letters signed and sealed at the Monastery of Waltham, the 1st day of October, in the 23d year of his most noble reign. Wherefore we, Thomas Basse and William Horwood, bailiffs of the said borough, with the consent of all and singular the burgesses of the same, the 16th day of January, in the said 23d year of the said King's most noble reign, Henry 8, at his high pleasure and gracious desire, we give and grant unto Sir Roger Reynolds, clerk, the next avoidance by death, dismissal or resignation, or any otherwise, our said hospital of St. John, in our said borough of Huntingdon, and in our said gift, with all and singular the profits, commodities and advantages that in anywise to the said hospital belongeth or appertaineth unto the said Sir Roger Reynolds, according to the King's most high pleasure and intent. And also will that the said Sir Roger, or his deputy, shall declare unto the King's grace, or unto his most honourable council, these our loving minds and intents, whereby his grace may see that we are not minded to the contrary, but that the said Sir Roger shall have our common seal for the said hospital at the next avoidance, according to his gracious letters. And for the assurance of this, our said good minds shall not be denied in time coming to the said bailiffs, with all and singular the burgesses of the said borough, have subscribed our names, and we that cannot write have subscribed our signs, the 30th day of January, in the 23d year of the reign of our sovereign liege, Lord King Henry 8.

Thomas Basse, bailiff.

Witt Horwood, bailiff.

Thomas Tavie.

John Janot.

John Keche, his mark.

Thomas Yeye, his mark.

Richard Curry, his mark.

Richard Claworth.

John Redforth, his mark.

John Harrys.

John Copar, his mark.

John Gowcor.

John Heddyngley, his mark.

James Bereff, his mark.

William Thonge, his mark.

Robert Goddard, his mark.

Thomas Hall.

Peter Fyldyng.

Robert Addyngton.

Nicolas Jarvie.

Thomas Heyyett.

Thomas Horwood.

William Wylson, his mark.

John Moren, his mark.

John Hand.

John Leche.

Robert Pereson, his mark.

John Tyme, his mark.

John Bracy, his mark.

John Bone.

Robert Wolfe, his mark.

John Candelaz.

Richard Watson.

William Wallys, his mark.

Matthew Andrewe, his mark.

Bernard Cowper, his mark.

Edmund Luke, his mark.

Richard Bowre, his mark.

Rowland Hodson, his mark.

Thomas Browne, his mark.

William Wells.

John Saundys, his mark.

Robert A. Corn, his mark.

Nicholas Cleworth, his mark.

William Robinson.

John Wale, his mark.

Thomas Penyfader, his mark.

Thomas Brygge, his mark.

Richard Kysley, his mark.

Edmund Mowar, his mark.

Robert Whytehead, his mark.

Robert Lake, his mark.

Robert Clarke, his mark.

Thomas Copeland."

Of the 54 persons who subscribed this letter, no less than 33, it appears, were unable to sign their own names. Need we wonder at the almost unlimited power then enjoyed by the sovereigns of

\* Extracted from the records of the Court of Exchequer. See also Rot. Parl. Edw. 2, and Brady on Boroughs. In the Rot. Parl. the petitioners are styled the Community of Huntingdon.



of England? Yet the policy of keeping the lower classes of the community, the great bulk of the people, in ignorance and darkness, has met with advocates even in this enlightened and benevolent age.

“ ’Tis true, ’tis pity; and pity ’tis, ’tis true.”

*Present Possessions of the Hospital.*

	A.	R.	P.
Mr. Charles Dawes, Quail's Meadow - - - - -	1	2	4
New Pasture - - - - -	78	0	12
Mr. Bradshaw, site of slaughterhouse - - - - -	0	0	13
Mr. Beckett, George Close - - - - -	1	0	21
Mr. R. Ashton, Mile-stone Close - - - - -	1	0	0
Mr. Charles Dawes, house and premises.			
J. M. Leslie, esq., garden and close - - - - -	1	3	0
Mr. Cooper, two closes - - - - -	4	3	9
Mr. Thomas Mutton, house and premises.			
The burgesses, Fardell-stile Close* - - - - -	2	1	4
S. Wells, esq., three leys, Stanton Butts - - - - -	1	0	17
Earl of Sandwich, part of Fountain Inn garden - - - - -	0	0	24
Ditto - - part of a close leading from the gaol lane to the river - - - - -	0	0	37
John Sweeting, esq., part of garden behind house - - - - -	0	0	3
Mr. Willoughby, house and premises.			
C. Slow, esq., part of Temple Close - - - - -	1	0	15
J. Wilson, esq., part of garden behind house - - - - -	0	0	3
Mr. J. Wood, a yard in Priory-lane - - - - -	0	1	20
Mr. Guarnerio, house and premises.			
Mr. John Sanders, Great Stukely, two closes - - - - -	15	1	6
Mr. Thomas Kendall, Little Stukely, land - - - - -	0	3	21
Mr. Richard Barnes, Sawtry, three closes - - - - -	26	1	22
G. T. Apreece, esq., Washingly, land in the parish of Folksworth † - - - - -	12	2	0
Rev. J. Fell, grammar-school, house and premises. This house and premises are given by the charity, together with a salary of 25 <i>l.</i> per annum, for the education of boys belonging to the town of Huntingdon.			

Widow Franks and Widow Nunn, two cottages in Mr. C. Dawes' yard; the widows pay no rent.

The pest-house, spring, bathing-house, &c. were given in possession to the present receiver of St. John's Hospital, but it is disputed whether this property belongs to the charity.

*Yearly Rent.*

	£.	s.	d.
The present year - - - - -	424	2	6
Value of two cottages in Mr. Dawes' yard - - - - -	6	-	-
Value of grammar-school, house and premises - - - - -	90	-	-
Net Annual Value of the Charity of St. John's Hospital - - - £.	520	2	6

*Fishborn's Gift.*—Extract from his Will.—“ Whereas I am desirous to do good unto the town of Huntingdon, where I was born, and yet am not acquainted with the state and wants of the same town, I give and bequeath to the wardens and commonalty of the mystery of mercers of the city of London the sum of 2,000*l.*, upon the trust and confidence that they will therewith purchase lands, &c. to the clear yearly value of 100*l.*, and bestow the same to some good and charitable uses in the said town, as in maintenance of a lecture and of a grammar-school, in erecting and endowing an almshouse; in any or all of these and such other good and pious uses as the said commonalty of mercers and my executors shall ordain.” Proved May 14, 1625.

The above 2,000*l.* the Company of Mercers laid out in 1630, conjointly with a sum of 4,560*l.* arising from other charities under their control, in the purchase of the manor of Chalgrave in Bedfordshire, which consists of about 540 acres, and now lets for 700*l.* per annum. The company pay a regular annual sum of 176*l.* to the corporation of this town, and 60*l.* a year in like manner to a lecturer here (the Rev. Mr. Panchen), appointed by the company. This payment was fixed in 1803. In 1804 a committee of the company was appointed to visit Huntingdon, and inquire into the management of this charity, with a view to its future regulation. From their report it appears, that previously to that time, 100*l.* a year only had been paid by the company to the town, of which 60*l.* was paid to the lecturer, and the remaining 40*l.* had been annually applied in educating eight poor girls, and binding out five poor boys apprentice. Many suggestions were made to the visiting committee by the town of Huntingdon as to the application of the increased payments which were then in contemplation; and it was afterwards resolved by the company that the number of girls educated and clothed should be augmented to twelve, and the sum of 35*l.* be allowed for that purpose; that the money given as apprentice fees should be increased to a sum not exceeding 15*l.* for each apprentice, the whole sum allotted for that purpose not being to exceed 90*l.*; and that a sum not exceeding 50*l.* should be allotted to assist ten old men or women upwards of sixty years of age, properly recommended,

\* This was formerly enclosed, but now lies open to the Mill Common, running parallel with a close in the occupation of Mr. Bates. It was the property of the Duke of Manchester, who exchanged with the master for a close now used by Mrs. Ekin as a stack-yard, adjoining Mr. Becket's, George Close.

† This property anciently lay dispersedly in the open fields, and was let to a Mr. Sherard, who sold it with his own land there to Mr. Apreece. The corporation filed a bill in Chancery for the recovery thereof, and have lately restored it to the possession of W. Pears, esquire, Godmachester, the receiver of St. John's Hospital.



recommended, not more than 5*l.* being given to each. These several allowances, if all applied, would exhaust the sum of 176*l.*; but it was further resolved, that whatever remainder there might be should be applied in setting forth apprentices after their time should be out, or otherwise for the benefit of the town, as the majority of the common council should determine. The money paid to the corporation is applied by them in strict conformity to these resolutions.

*Mr. Robert Cook's Gift.*—Extract from his will, A.D. 1637. "I give and bequeath unto the poor of the town of Huntingdon one yearly or rent-charge of 5*l.*, to be paid out of the rents of Bridge Close, and to be distributed amongst them every year upon Midsummer-day according to their several necessities, with the advice of the mayor and recorder of the said town for the time being."

*Dr. Thomas King's Gift.*—Extract from his will, A.D. 1667. "I give and bequeath the little cottage and the land which I bought of my brother William King and Ekins, lying in Great Catworth, to the town of Huntingdon, for the use of the poor, viz. to buy yearly firing, to be distributed amongst twelve of the poorest widows of that town, especially those who dwell in the parish of All Saints, and those who frequent the service of God, and the number to be yearly nominated by the mayor of the town, the two senior aldermen, and the minister of the parish of All Hallows (All Saints), every Michaelmas. I give the sum of 22*l.* 10*s.* to be put into good hands, and the yearly interest and rent to be bestowed as follows, viz. every Lord's-day six penny loaves to be placed in the church, and after sermon to be given to six poor people who (being not hindered by sickness) do customarily frequent the church. This I ordain for the poor of All Saints parish."

The annual value of this charity is now 16*l.*, which are applied according to the above directions of the testator.

*Mr. John Dryden's Gift.*—Extract from his will, A.D. 1707. "I give unto the town of Huntingdon 200*l.*, to the town of St. Ives 200*l.*, to Godmanchester 200*l.*, to St. Neots 200*l.*, and to Ramsey 200*l.* to be disposed to such charitable uses as the justices of the peace of the county of Huntingdon, together with the most substantial inhabitants in the several towns, shall think most convenient for the advantage of each town."

This money was laid out in the purchase of a pasture called St. John's Close, of about 10*l.* yearly value, and was held by the two former masters of the grammar-school, in augmentation of their salary. It is now in the hands of the trustees until the Lord Chancellor makes his decision respecting St. John's Hospital.

*Mr. Lionel Walden's Gift.*—Extract from his will, A.D. 1719. "Upon trust that my trustees do out of the rents, &c. of my estate (Doddington, in the Isle of Ely), raise the sum of 500*l.* for the building a free school at the city of Huntingdon, for the maintenance and education of such number of children there as my said trustees shall think most proper; the said town of Huntingdon having been the habitation of my grandfather and father, where they lived in good repute until the most miraculous, strange and memorable Revolution (in 1688), since which there has appeared more violence than respect from the people in power to their memory. The place, however, I respect as having been the town in which my dear sister Elizabeth Touchett was born."

For the application of this money, *see* Account of the Charity School.

*Mr. Gabriel Newton's Gift.*—Extract from an indenture for charitable uses, made March 15, 1760, between Gabriel Newton, of the borough of Leicester, gentleman, one of the aldermen of the borough, and Nich. Throsby, esq., mayor of the said borough, and the bailiffs and burgesses of the said borough of Leicester:

"I give to the mayor or other chief officer, bailiffs and burgesses of the borough or corporation of Huntingdon, the yearly sum of 26*l.* towards the clothing, schooling and educating of 25 boys, of indigent or necessitous parents of the Established Church of England. The boys to be taken and chosen from the age of seven years inclusive to the age of 14, to wit, none under the age of seven nor above the age of 14. Each boy to be allowed annually, or once in 15 or 18 months, as the trustees shall think proper, a green cloth coat, waistcoat and breeches, not under 20*d.* per yard; one shirt of flaxen cloth, not under 13*d.* per yard, and stockings, caps and other apparel." The boys are to "tune the responses" in church; and the charity is to be withdrawn if the Creed of St. Athanasius be not publicly read in the same church, "unless the said Creed shall, at any time hereafter, by King, Queen or Parliament be abrogated or abolished out of the Rubrick of the Church of England; which abolition, in the opinion of the said Gabriel Newton, will be a greater blow to the Church and State than taking off the head of the royal martyr King Charles the First."

For the application of this money, *see* Account of the Charity School.

*Sayer's Charity.*—Consists of certain lands lying in the parish of Hailweston, in the county of Huntingdon, called Cancroft Close; a close in the parish of Colne, in the said county, and a garden in the parish of St. John, in the town of Huntingdon, now in the occupation of Mr. Job Rout: the gross annual income is about 70*l.* The object of this charity is to have daily prayers read by the vicar or curate of St. Mary's parish in one or other of the churches in the said borough.

*Bardolph's Charity.*—Consists of 400*l.* in the joint stock of South Sea Annuities, and 100*l.* since invested in the same stock by the trustees of the charity, viz. the vicar of St. Mary's, the mayor, and the senior alderman for the time being. The objects of this charity were originally to purchase four new coats and four new pair of shoes, to be yearly distributed in the first week in June, in the following manner: One coat and one pair of shoes to one poor man of the parish of St. Mary, another coat and pair of shoes to one poor man of the parish of St. Benedict, another coat and pair of shoes to one poor man of the parish of All Saints, and the remaining coat and pair of shoes to one poor man of the parish of St. John.

To these objects the trustees of the charity have been enabled, by an accumulation of interest, and by their giving up the sum of 1*l.*, bequeathed to them to be expended in a dinner, to add a hat, waistcoat, breeches and stockings to the before-mentioned articles, for four poor men. This charity was founded by John Bardolph, esq. of Fulham, in the county of Middlesex, 25th June 1772.

*Rait's Charity.*—Consists of three annuities or yearly rent-charges, one of 5*l.* and two of 1*l.*, issuing out of an estate in the parish of St. John, in the town of Huntingdon, the property and in the occupation

occupation of James Rust, esq. The objects of which charity are as follows: The annuity of 5*l.* for bread, to be distributed yearly on St. Thomas's-day among such poor inhabitants of the town, and in such proportions as the trustees shall agree upon. The first annuity of 1*l.* to be yearly, on or before the 1st of May, paid to the minister of St. Mary's, to be laid out in the purchase of firing in the summer, to be distributed, on the 30th of November yearly, amongst such old inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary as the minister and churchwardens shall agree upon. The other annuity of 1*l.* to be likewise distributed in coals amongst old and poor inhabitants of the parish of St. John.

*Ferrar's Charity*.—Consists of a yearly rent-charge of 2*l.* 2*s.* upon a malting and premises in All Saints parish (the property of John Pumfrett, esq.), and was founded and is still applied for the disposal of six Bibles, by ballot, to six green-coat boys, belonging to the charity school, and for the preaching of a sermon every Easter Monday in one of the churches of Huntingdon. Founded by Henry Ferrar, esq. 2d March 1772.

*George Lyssons*, esq. by will, dated 31st October 1710, gave 50*l.*, and appointed the interest thereof to provide bread for the poor of St. Mary's parish, to be distributed by the churchwardens and overseers, yearly, on Lady-day, Midsummer, Michaelmas and St. Thomas's-days.

*Thomas Woodward*, esq. by will, dated 30th January 1720, gave 10*s.* to be disposed of in bread, yearly, on the 4th day of November, to the poor of St. Mary's parish, by the minister and churchwardens; payable out of a tenement in the said parish.

*Henry Blaine*, esq. by will, dated 15th February 1796, gave 20*l.* to be placed out at interest; the amount arising therefrom to be applied and paid by his executors every New Year's-day, amongst the poor of Mutton-lane, in the parish of St. Mary.

*Henry Sweeting*, esq. by will, dated 18th March 1817, gave to his sons, Henry and John, 100*l.* for the purpose of being vested in the funds, in the names of the rector of St. John's and the vicar of St. Mary's, and their successors, the dividends of which are to be laid out in the purchase of bread, to be distributed every Christmas-day amongst the poor of the parish of St. John.

*Grammar-School*.—When and by whom the grammar-school was founded is not known, but the endowment has long,\* (if not always) formed part of the revenue of the master and co-frater of St. John's Hospital, which, as we have already shown, was founded by David, Earl of Huntingdon, in the reign of Henry 2.

The master is under an agreement to teach such town-born boys as are sent to the school the Latin and Greek languages, free of expense. The number is not limited, nor is there any particular form of admission or recommendation required. They are admitted when they can read English. The Eton Latin and Greek grammars are used; and the Eton plan of education is strictly followed.

There is a scholarship belonging to this school, founded in St. Peter's College, Cambridge, by Thomas Miller, who left nominally eleven acres and one rood of land, in the parish of Brampton, and all his estates in Barham, also in this county, "for the maintaining a scholar of the said house, from the time of his admittance till he commenceth Master of Arts, for ever. And my will is that a person coming from Huntingdon school should have the preference; but for want of such an one, the college may dispose of it as they please."

The estates at Barham (consisting, as it is said, of some cottages) have through some cause been lost; as have also four acres one rood of the land in Brampton, it being copyhold. The seven acres remaining are worth about 20*l.* per annum. This scholarship has not been claimed for some years past.

Mr. Robert Broadbank founded a scholarship for a native of Huntingdon, at Christ College, Cambridge.

The Rev. Edward Edwards, M. A., rector of the united parishes of All Saints and St. John, conducted this school for more than 35 years. On his retirement in 1823, his former pupils presented him with a piece of silver plate, suitably inscribed, in memorial of their gratitude and esteem. We feel much pleasure in extending this well-deserved tribute of respect. The Rev. J. Fell, M. A. of Trinity College, Cambridge, curate of St. Mary's, is the present master. This gentleman takes pupils, his charge for board and instruction being 35 guineas per annum; for instruction only to those who are not free, six guineas per annum; and those who are free pay for being taught writing and arithmetic 15*s.* per quarter. The number of boys at present in the school is 44; 22 of whom are upon the foundation.

*Charity School*.—The Green Coat or Charity School, was founded in 1736, and is supported from the united benefactions of Fishborn, Walden and Newton. The 500*l.* left by Lionel Walden, esq. was recovered from his executors in 1736 by a suit in Chancery, and was augmented by the interest from 1719, to 906*l.* 5*s.* £. 500. of this sum were appropriated to the purchase of lands for creating a salary for the schoolmaster, and the remainder went to the purchase of a property, then known by the name of the *King's Head*, and towards adapting it for a school-room and dwelling-house for the master.

Thirty boys are now taught on the foundation, six or more of whom go out every year, and receive 10*l.* each to assist in binding them apprentice, besides having had a suit of clothes every year during their continuance at school. Each boy is also, very properly, furnished with a Bible and Prayer Book by the trustees on his quitting school. Yearly admissions take place in the town-hall at Easter. The boys are apprenticed from Fishborn's Charity, clothed from Newton's, and educated from Walden's. The school and premises are situated in the parish of St. Benedict. Mr. Stephen Rowe is the present master.

Twelve girls, as we have already shown, are clothed and educated from Mr. Fishborn's Charity their dress is also green.

*National Schools*.—Two schools, one for boys and another for girls, on the Madras or Dr. Bell's system, were established here in 1813 by donations and voluntary subscriptions, by which they are still supported.

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\* See Inquisition concerning St. John's Hospital, p. 293.

The committee not being able to find a proper school-room for the boys, were obliged to resort to the erection of a suitable building; and accordingly they hired a rood of land in the north end of the town, on a lease for 99 years, at 2*l.* per annum, and on this site proceeded to erect a school, the dimensions of which are 42 by 25 feet.

The Bishop of Lincoln is patron of the school, and from 80 to 100 boys are usually taught, who are examined every month by two or more of the directors. In 1822 a dwelling-house for the master was erected adjoining the school.

The funds of the committee not being competent to the erection of a suitable room for the girls, they are taught in the theatre during the absence of the company. From 50 to 70 receive instruction. Both of these schools are in union with the National Society, to which annual reports of the progress of the scholars, &c. are transmitted by the secretaries, the Rev. Edward Edwards, and S. E. Cooch, esq.

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OTHER PROPERTY IN THE POSSESSION OF THE CORPORATION,  
Exclusive of the Tolls of the Market, &c., which let for 40*l.* a year.

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*Huntedone.*—In the borough of Huntedone there are four ferlings. In two ferlings, in the time of King Edward, there were and are now 116 burgesses rendering all customs and the king's geld, and under them are 100 bordarii who aid them in the payment of the geld (or tax). Of these burgesses St. Benedict of Ramsey had 10, with sac and soc (the right of holding a court and of punishing offenders, &c.), and all customs, only they rendered geld in the time of King Edward. Eustace took these by force from the abbot, and they are now, with the others, in the king's hand.

Ulf Femise had 18 burgesses, now Gislebert de Grand hath them, with sac and soc, except the geld of the king.

The Abbot of Ely hath one toft, with sac and soc, except the geld of the king.

The Bishop of Lincoln had, in the place of the castle, one mansion, with sac and soc, which is now wanting.

Earl Siward had one mansion with a house, with sac and soc, quit from all custom, which now the Countess Judith hath.

In the place of the castle there were 20 mansions, rendering for all customs, by the year, 16*s.* 8*d.* to the king's firme (exchequer), which are now wanting.

Besides these there were and are 60 mansions waste within these ferlings, which did and do give their custom. And besides these there are eight mansions waste, which in the time of King Edward were occupied, and gave all customs.

In the other two ferlings there were and are 140 burgesses, and these had 80 inclosures, for which they did and do give all custom. Of these St. Benedict of Ramsey had 22 burgesses in the time of King Edward; two of these were quit from all customs, and 30 rendered each 10*d.* by the year. All the other customs were the abbot's, except the geld of the king.

In these ferlings Alaric the scherriff, in the time of King Edward, had one mansion, which King William afterwards granted to his wife and children. Eustace now hath it, which a poor man reclaims.

In these two ferlings were and are 44 waste mansions, which did and do give their customs. And besides these, Borred and Turchill had, in the time of King Edward, one church and two hides of land (a hide usually implied 100 acres), and 22 burgesses with houses pertaining to the same church, with sac and soc; all which Eustace now hath, wherefore they claim mercy of the king; nevertheless the same 22 burgesses give to the king all custom.

Gosfrid the bishop hath one church and one mansion of the above mentioned, which Eustacius took from St. Benedict, and hitherto the same saint reclaimeth.

Gos and Hunef had also 16 mansions in the time of King Edward, with sac and soc, and thol and theam. These the Countess Judith now hath.

The borough of Huntedone paid to the king's geld for the fourth part of Hyrstingeston hundred, for 50 hides, but now it is not so taxed. Afterwards King William laid upon the whole of this borough a tax of money. From the whole of this borough there issued, in the time of King Edward, for landgable 10*l.*, whereof the earl had a third part, the king two; of this tribute there now remains, upon 20 mansions where the castle is, 16*s.* 8*d.* between the earl and the king. Besides this the king had 20*l.* and the earl 10*l.* for the farm of the borough, more or less, as he was able to collect his part. One mill rendered to the king 40*s.*, to the earl 20*s.* To the borough adjoin two caracute hides (120 acres each) and 40 acres of land, and 10 acres of meadow, whereof the king receives two parts of the rent, the earl one. The burgesses cultivate this land, and it is let by the ministers of the king and earl. Under the aforesaid rent are three fishermen, rendering 3*s.* In this borough there were three moneyers, rendering 40*s.*, but now they are not. In the time of King Edward were rendered 30*l.*; now likewise.

From the foregoing statement, it appears the borough was divided into four ferlings, or quarters or wards, and contained 256 burgesses and 100 bordarii or cottagers, in the latter part of the 10th century. Admitting each of these to be the representative of a family, and each family to consist of (at least) four persons, we have 1,424 individuals as the population of the borough. This may, however, be considerably under the actual number; and we have no means of ascertaining the exact amount of the population at that time. The burgesses, it appears, were under the protection of the king, the earl and others, to whom they paid tribute; or, in the words of the original, rendered all custom.

These lands (with a few subsequent lands purchased) form what is now called the Commons, and over which the burgesses, under the orders of the common council, stock with horses, cows and sheep, at stated times of the year.

In addition to which the corporation of Huntingdon have some water-mills and lands, with a messuage in the High-street of the town of Huntingdon, letting together for about 56*l.* a year, and out of which they have to pay a fee-farm rent of 33*l.*

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Huntingdon.*

## MAYORS.

1729 James Harris.	1764 William Smith.	1800 Charles Slow.
1730 Charles Darlow.	1765 Lord Hinchinbrook.	1801 William Desborough.
1731 William Dowse.	1766 Sir T. Mackworth.	1802 John Perkins.
1732 Joseph Peacock.	1767 Lord Hinchinbrook.	1803 Owsley Rowley.
1733 Walter Thong.	1768 Lawrence Desborough.	1804 William Herbert.
1734 Benjamin Woodward.	1769 Robert Hardley.	1805 Lord Hinchinbrook.
1735 Thomas Thong.	1770 Robert Slow.	1806 Robert Stafford.
1736 Reade Peacocke.	1771 William Peacocke.	1807 Sir J. Arundel.
1737 William Torkington.	1772 Charles Green.	1808 Charles Slow.
1738 James Harris.	1773 Hugh Ferrar.	1809 Owsley Rowley.
1739 Charles Slow.	1774 Lawrence Desborough.	1810 James Morton.
1740 Thomas Warner.	1775 John C. Turner.	1811 William Herbert.
1741 Walter Thong.	1776 Stephen Arundel.	1812 William Margetts.
1742 Benjamin Woodward.	1777 John Lawrence.	1813 James Morton.
1743 Thomas Thong.	1778 Sir R. Bickerton, bart.	1814 J. S. Dobyns.
1744 Sir T. Mackworth.	1779 Jacob Hunt.	1815 H. Sweeting, jun.
1745 Thomas Thong.	1780 Robert Slow.	1816 William Margetts.
1746 Henry Maule.	1781 William Peacocke.	1817 J. Saville Dobyns, esq.
1747 George Rust.	1782 Stephen Arundel.	1818 H. Sweeting, jun., sol.
1748 Charles Slow.	1783 George Maule.	1819 Wm. A. Montagu, R. N.
1749 Thomas Warner.	1784 John Lawrence.	1820 Sir John Arundel, knt.
1750 John Blyth.	1785 Sir R. Bickerton, bart.	1821 D. Veasey, jun., banker.
1751 Walter Thong.	1786 John Perkins.	1822 S. Ed. Cooch, merchant.
1751 Sir T. Mackworth.	1787 Jacob Hunt.	1823 Geo. F. Maule, solicitor.
1752 John Spriggs.	1788 George Maule.	1824 Wm. A. Montagu, R. N.
1753 Henry Maule.	1789 Robert Cooch.	1825 D. Veasey, junior, esq., banker.
1754 George Rust.	1790 John Perkins.	1826 D. Rowley, esq.
1755 John Spriggs.	1791 Robert Godby.	1827 S. E. Cooch, merchant.
1756 Thomas Thong.	1792 David Veasey.	1828 Henry Edwards, R. N.
1757 Walter Thong.	1793 Henry Blaine.	1829 H. S. Stafford, grocer.
1758 Robert Godby, jun.	1794 Robert Cooch.	1830 D. Rowley, esq.
1759 Thomas Thong.	1795 Robert Godby.	1831 Charles Slow, esq.
1760 Robert Godby.	1796 David Veasey.	1832 Henry Edwards, R. N.
1761 Thomas Thong.	1797 G. Lord Hinchinbrook.	
1762 William Smith.	1798 Robert Stafford.	
1763 John Spriggs.	1799 John Brazier.	

1833 HIGH STEWARD - - William S. Poyntz, esq., M. P.  
RECORDER - - - - Marquis of Lothian.

21 February 1833.

*Geo. Fred. Maule, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF HYTHE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

DESCRIPTION of the PROPERTY.	The Manner in which the same was acquired.	The Purposes for which the same was given.	The Mode in which it is now distributed and applied.
Between 400 and 500 acres of shingle or beechy lands (exact quantity not known).	- - Supposed part pur- chased and part left by the sea, and con- firmed by charters.	- -	The rents, profits, divi- dends and interest are dis- tributed in the payment of the salaries of the mayor and officers of the corpo- ration; repairs and insur- ance of the Guildhall; expenses of holding the sessions of the peace, in- cluding the recorder's fees and allowance to the ju- ries; fee-farm rent; sew- age of the town dykes and of their lands; tradesmen's bills, for repairs and im- provements of their es- tates; tavern expenses, for the dinners given at the mayor's choice and gene- ral sessions; and repairs of the fire-engine, con- duits and water-pipes, for the supply of the town, &c.
About 40 acres of pasture land -	Left by the sea - -	- -	
Town-hall over the church porch (in which the corporation busi- ness is transacted).	Unknown - -	- -	
The Guildhall (in which the ses- sional business of the town is transacted) and market under the same.	- - Erected at the sole expense of the corpo- ration on the site of the old Guildhall.	- -	
Gaol for this town and liberties -	Purchase - - - -	- -	
Several lease rents, and other small rents, of divers houses, buildings and lands in the town.	- - - - -	- -	
£. 864. 12. 2. three per cent. Cons- ols, standing in the name of the Accountant-general of the Court of Exchequer.	- - On the sale of lands to Government taken under the Defence Act.	- -	
£. 200. secured on the Hythe pave- ment.	- - On the sale of land to Government.	- -	

*N.B.*—There are no charitable funds in the disposition of the corporation of Hythe.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Hythe.*

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.
William Evelyn - - - deceased	Esquire.
William Rigden - - - ditto	Farmer and Grazier.
Henry Tritton - - - ditto	Gentleman.
Benjamin Cobb - - - -	Esquire.
Robert Tournay Bargrave - ditto	Esquire.
Richard Shipden - - - ditto	Banker and General Merchant.
Robert Finnis - - - ditto	Gentleman.
William Deedes, senior - - -	Esquire.
Rev. William Tournay - - - ditto	Clerk.
Rev. John Deedes - - - -	Clerk.
Earl of Romney.	
William Tritton - - - ditto	Farmer and Surveyor.
James Shipdem - - - ditto	Wine Merchant.
Edward Tournay - - - ditto	Solicitor.
Thomas Castle - - - ditto	Gentleman.
George Finnis - - - -	Upholsterer and Auctioneer.
George Shipdem - - - -	Merchant and Grazier.
Thomas Mount - - - ditto	Farmer and Grazier.
William Bridger - - - -	Esquire.
Thomas Pilcher - - - -	Farmer and Grazier.
Smith Cobb - - - ditto	Captain, R. N.
William Deedes, junior - - -	Esquire.
Sir Kenneth Douglas, baronet	Lieut.-general in army.
James Watts - - - -	Merchant.
James Gordon Cavenagh - - -	Esquire.
Alexander Swan - - - -	Gentleman.

*Edward Watts, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF IPSWICH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE first in importance and extent of distribution is *Tooley's* Charity or Foundation, which was founded by Mr. Henry Tooley, a portman of this town, who, by his will, dated in 1550, devised several estates in this county to the corporation, for the purpose of establishing an almshouse for 10 persons described therein. The estates belonging to this charity now produce a rental of about 800*l.* a year, which are appropriated in providing lodging-rooms for about 40 poor persons in the almshouses, and in the payment to the same 40, and about 50 other poor persons who are out-pensioners, of the weekly sum of 2*s.* 6*d.* each. The poor in the almshouses are also provided with medical and surgical attendance, coals, firewood, and articles of clothing; the out-door poor have also the usual supply of clothing, which consists of an outer garment every year.

2d. *Smart's* Charity or Foundation, which was founded by Mr. William Smart, also a portman of this town, who, by his will dated in 1598, gave to the bailiffs, burgesses and commonalty of this town, after the death of Alice his wife, a considerable estate, situate in Falkenham and Kirton, in the said county of Suffolk, to such uses as he should declare; and did declare and direct by his said will, viz. That the yearly rents and revenues arising therefrom should be divided into three parts, whereof the first part should be divided into two parts, whereof the one part of the said first part should be bestowed as follows; viz. to Drapers' and Tailors' Hall yearly 20*s.* for ever, and the residue to be given and employed for the maintenance of poor scholars in the free school of the town of Ipswich, being children of poor freemen of the said town, and for want of such poor children, to the children of the poor inhabitants born within the said town, towards the buying and providing of books, ink, paper and convenient apparel, during the time of their continuance there. The other part of the said first part he directed should be bestowed as follows: 4*l.* to the master of the said free school, and 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to the usher there. The residue of the said part he directed should be bestowed for ever upon a master or governor, who should take upon him the charge of the house which should thereafter be founded by him, or by his donees or feoffees, for the relief of the poor and setting on work of such poor people as should be there remaining. The second part of the said revenues he willed to be employed yearly for the setting at work and maintenance of the persons who should thereafter be taken into the said house. The third part of the said revenues he willed should be employed and bestowed yearly for ever upon the poor estate of the sick and lazar-houses of St. Leonard in Ipswich, St. Thomas-a-Pountney, and the poor prisoners in the common gaol of the town of Ipswich, in manner therein described and set forth. The revenues of this charity, which were directed by the testator to be received by the wardens of Mr. Tooley's foundation, amount to near 400*l.* a year, and are distributed as follow: Drapers' and Tailors' Halls have, for many years, ceased to exist, and the 20*s.* yearly payable to them have sunk into the residue of the said first part, which,

which, up to the present time, has been bestowed in annual sums of 40*s.* to the boys of the free grammar-school, towards the purchase of books, &c. &c. The payment of 4*l.* to the master, and 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to the usher of the grammar-school, appears to have been regularly made to the master and usher up to the year 1801, when the late master, the Rev. William Howorth, was elected master of the school, and who, from that time to the period of his retirement in 1832, did not, from some misunderstanding or other, receive the amount, but who having since claimed the same from the time of his election, such claim has been duly considered, and an arrangement made with the corporation to his satisfaction, by the grant of an annuity to him during his life, in lieu of the arrears due to him. As to the second and third part of the said revenues, directed to be employed for the maintenance and setting to work of the poor persons received into the sick and lazar-houses of St. Leonard and St. Thomas-a-Pountney, which houses have, for many years past, been pulled down, and other houses built and purchased in their stead, four of which are standing on the site, or near thereto, of St. Leonard's, and some are adjoining the houses of Mr. Tooley's foundation, about 40 poor persons receive the weekly allowance of 2*s.* 6*d.*, 17 of whom are provided with lodgings in the above-mentioned houses, and receive the same supply of coals, fuel and clothing, medical attendance, &c., as are distributed and supplied to the poor of Mr. Tooley's foundation. The out-door poor of this foundation also receive the supply of clothes and coals similar to those on Tooley's. The prisoners in the gaol of this town receive an annual supply of coals from this charity, which are delivered to the keeper, and distributed at discretion.

3d. The charity known by the name of *Christ's Hospital* was originally supported by annual subscriptions, and afterwards established by charter of Queen Elizabeth, in the 14th year of her reign, and is managed by four governors, chosen annually from out of the free burgesses on Michaelmas-day, and who are succeeded by four other governors, chosen as aforesaid. The revenues of this charity, which amount to near 400*l.* a year, are derived, first, from subscriptions by the corporation and others, as before stated; and next, from bequests of different donors to the charity, among the principal of which is an estate at Debehham, in Suffolk, which was devised by the will of Mr. Nicholas Phillips, a portman of the town, by his will, dated 1670, and by his executors conveyed to the portmen of Ipswich, in trust for the charitable uses mentioned in the will; viz. That the revenues, and profits arising therefrom, be given and employed towards the learning and teaching of poor children belonging to the town of Ipswich, and providing books, ink and paper, and convenient apparel, binding them out apprentices, and for the providing of flax, hemp or wool, or such other needful things, as well for the setting the said children to work as for the relief of them; and also for the providing of bedding convenient and necessary for such children; and also for providing a convenient house for the said children to be taught in. With several sums of money bequeathed at different times towards the support of the hospital, and particularly by Mr. Thomas Bright and Richard Phillips, esquire, another farm was purchased, situated in St. Peter's parish, in this town, and the revenues appropriated towards the support of this charity, pursuant to the wills of the donors. The revenues of this charity have been distributed in the maintenance, education, clothing and teaching of a number of poor boys in the hospital, usually from 16 to 20, who are boarded and lodged in the hospital, and over whom is placed a guide or governor, who lives in the house; and a schoolmaster is also appointed to teach the boys in reading, writing and arithmetic. A part of the hospital is also appropriated as a bridewell to the town, for the reception of persons charged with minor offences, vagrants, &c. The guide to the hospital is the bridewell keeper, and receives a salary from the charity. From the dilapidated state of the buildings belonging to this charity, and other casual charges, the funds of this charity have not been sufficient, for the last four or five years, to receive the usual number of boys; but in consequence of some recent arrangements, the usual number may be reasonably expected to be taken into the school.

4th. *Martin's, Allen's, Scrivener's and Burrough's Charity.*—The revenues of these charities are now, and have for many years been, blended, and are derived from devises of land and other donations given to the corporation by the above-named donors, for the purposes respectively given and bequeathed by them; viz.

*Richard Martin*, a portman of Ipswich, by deed, dated 18th of February 1621, gave his farm in Westerfield, after the decease of himself and his wife, to the bailiffs and portmen of Ipswich, in trust that they should yearly bestow 20*l.* unto two such scholars of the University of Cambridge as formerly were scholars in the free school of Ipswich, as the two bailiffs and the major part of the portmen for the time being should nominate and appoint; viz. unto one of them, being bachelor of arts, and resident in some one of the halls or colleges of the said University, 14*l.* yearly, and to the other of such scholars 6*l.* a year; and in case no such scholars be there, then the said 20*l.* should be employed and bestowed in such manner and form as to the two bailiffs, and the major part of the portmen should seem meet and expedient; and that they should bestow yearly, for ever, 10*l.* in apparel, to be distributed by the two bailiffs of the said town of Ipswich for the time being among the poor inhabitants of the said town. And after the death of the persons to whom he gave annuities, he gave the overplus of the profits of the said premises to be from time to time lent out, upon good security, freely to such poor clothiers and shearmen; or if such were not found, then to other inhabitants, being freemen of the said town, as the bailiffs, the most of the portmen and the common council, should think fit, and for so long time as they should think meet, not exceeding seven years to each man.

*Mr. John Allen*, portman, of this town, about the year 1570, gave to the bailiffs of Ipswich 60*l.*, the yearly profits thereof to be bestowed upon gowns, shirts and smocks, to be yearly given and distributed to the poorest and most needy inhabitants of the said town for ever. With this money an annuity or rent-charge of 4*l.* 10*s.* was purchased and conveyed to the bailiffs upon the Bull Inn in this town, and the same is distributed as hereinafter mentioned.

*Mr. Ralph Scrivener*, who married the widow of Mr. Smart, the founder of the second described charity, in pursuance of his bond, entered into at the time of his marriage, by his will charged all his messuages, lands and tenements, lying in Bramford and Blakenham, with the payment of the sum of 7*l.* a year to the bailiffs of Ipswich and their successors for ever, to be yearly bestowed by them upon gowns, shirts and smocks, to be given and distributed for ever to the most poor and needy people, being born, brought up and resident in the said town.

Mr. *John Burroughs*, of London, by his will, dated the 22d of March 1613, gave to the bailiffs, &c., of Ipswich 100*l.*, to be paid at such times as they should purchase lands or tenements of the clear yearly value of 5*l.*, to them and their successors for ever, the said sum of 5*l.* to be yearly bestowed and distributed by the bailiffs, &c., upon every Good Friday for ever, in the church of St. Lawrence, presently after morning prayer, to 40 poor men and women of Ipswich aforesaid.

And Mr. *Richard Martin*, in consideration of 100*l.* to him paid by the bailiffs, &c., by indenture, of 29th November, 19 James 1, sold a piece of land or pasture called Maugers, and another called Swan's Nest, lying in Westerfield, to the said bailiffs, &c., of Ipswich, and their successors, for the use before mentioned in Mr. Burroughs's will.

The revenues of this charity, arising from the four last-mentioned donations, amount to about 150*l.* a year, and are annually received by the junior bailiff, and distributed as follow: The sums of 14*l.* and 6*l.* to two scholars of the University of Cambridge; the first sum for a bachelor of arts, and the second for an undergraduate educated at the free grammar-school in this town, if such there be; and in case there be none such, they sink into and are disposed of as the residue; viz. in providing shirts, shifts, coats and gowns, to about 130 or 140 poor men and women belonging to the town, which are yearly distributed on St. Thomas's-day, 21st December.

On every Good Friday from 200 to 300 poor persons are paid the sum of 3*s.* 6*d.* each, in the church of St. Lawrence, by the bailiffs, who personally attend the distribution of the same.

The surplus, if any, after deducting the charges for repairs, insurance, &c., go to the fund called the Lending Cash of the town, hereafter mentioned; but of late years there has been no surplus available for that purpose.

5th. The *Free Grammar-School* of this town has existed for many years, and has been supported by numerous donations. In 1482 Mr. Richard Felaw, portman, of this town, gave, by his will, dated the 2d January in that year, his mees agayn the gate of the fryers preachers in Ipswich, for a common school-house and dwelling-place for a schoolmaster; also a messuage, with a curtilage adjoining to the said messuage, on the north side of the same, and three closes of land in Whitten, and within the lordship of Brook's Hall, for which the master was required to teach all children born and dwelling within the said town coming to the said school freely. In 1524 Cardinal Wolsey founded a school or college in this town, as a nursery for his intended college at Oxford, about which time Mr. Felaw's lands and houses were made over to him by the bailiffs and corporation for the purpose of assisting in the endowment of his new school; but after his fall the school declined, and was afterwards re-established, first, by charter Henry 8, and enlarged by charter of Elizabeth, 1565, by which she gave the bailiffs, &c., power to appoint the master and usher of the free grammar-school, and granted the bailiffs, &c., an annuity of 38*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for their salaries; viz. 24*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the master, and 14*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the usher, payable out of the fee-farm rent payable by the town to the Crown, as therein mentioned; and she empowered the said bailiffs, &c., by the same charter, to make all rules, orders, bye-laws and ordinances for the government and management of the same school. From that period the free grammar-school has continued to exist, and has been supported by many donations; has possessed considerable celebrity as a classical academy for the instruction of youth, previous to their entrance to the universities. Within the last year (a new master having been elected) the salary of the master has been greatly increased; and the corporation having, for some years past, relinquished their right to appoint the usher to the school, the whole salary is paid to the master. It will be seen, from what has been stated, that the salary for the master and usher, as originally appointed, was very small, consisting of the sum of 38*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, as appointed by charter of Elizabeth, and the sum of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to the master and usher from Mr. Smart's gift; and being so inconsiderable, the corporation have, for many years, paid the master an annual sum of 111*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, or thereabouts, for his salary, including 70*l.* a year as lecturer; it is now, however, raised to a sum exceeding 150*l.*, by some regulations made by the corporation. Mr. William Tyler, portman, and Mr. Snow, gave several donations to the corporation towards the apparelling and teaching poor children at school; and with their gifts some lands were purchased at Creeting, in this county, and from part of the revenues of which, and of a portion of Mr. Smart's gift, the free boys at the grammar-school have, for many years past, received annually the sum of 40*s.* each, for the purchase of books, &c., and on leaving the school the sum of 5*l.* towards binding them out apprentices, &c. These latter payments have lately been directed to be paid to the master of the grammar-school, in aid of his salary, the corporation considering that the boys who have of late years been educated as free scholars at the grammar-school have not wanted such relief or assistance, and that the money was therefore generally expended for other purposes.

Mr. *Benjamin Osmond*, by will, dated the 30th June 1619, gave to the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich 350*l.*, whereof 50*l.* was to be bestowed towards building the Cross, and 100*l.* towards the purchase of houses for the habitation of four aged poor persons, and the remaining 200*l.* to purchase lands and tenements towards their maintenance. With part of this money, four tenements in St. Matthew's parish, in this town, were purchased, whereof two of them, having four several rooms, are employed, as aforesaid, as a habitation for the said four poor persons, and the other two tenements are let out, and the rent is applied towards the maintenance of the said four poor persons.

Mr. *William Cutler*, merchant, by his will, dated 24th January, 18th James, bequeathed to the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich 100*l.*, upon trust that they should therewith purchase lands, tenements and hereditaments of the full and clear yearly value of 6*l.*; the said yearly rents and profits of the said lands to be by the bailiffs and portmen of the said town for the time being, yearly and for ever, bestowed for and towards the maintenance of three poor persons, viz. to every of them 40*s.* a year. With this 100*l.* a meadow was bought, and laid to Handford Hall lands; and the 6*l.* yearly rent is regularly paid to the junior bailiff, and applied by him according to the will of the donor.

*Crane's Charity*.—John Crane, of Cambridge, esquire, by his will, dated the 26th June 1651, gave to the University of Cambridge, the several towns of Ipswich, Cambridge, Lynn and Wisbeach, as follows; viz. "Whereas I have appointed and required, and do earnestly desire my executors to buy three score pounds a year of good lands and tenements, so as the tenants may have a good pennyworth to pay willingly their rent; but I desire that it may be three score and two pounds, which I bestow freely and willingly, in manner and form following:—I desire my executors to take

good



good care in the settling of it in good honest men's hands and able men as feoffees, in trust as they shall think safest to be bestowed. I think Wisbeach men very safe, the Fen men corporate of Wisbeach, or as my executors shall think best; the use as follows: The first year's rent to the University of Cambridge; the second year's rent to the town of Wisbeach, being 60*l.*, to be lent freely to three young men to help to set them up, they putting in good security to repay it at the end of 20 years, and that then it be lent out to three other young men in like order, they putting in good security for the repayment at the 20 years' end; and this 20*l.*, and so every other 20*l.*, to be shifted from one man to another at the expiration of 20 years, and this gift to continue until there be 200*l.* stock, to be lent out as above; the third year's revenue to the town of Cambridge, and the fourth to Lynn Regis, in Norfolk, &c., and the fifth year's revenue I give to the town corporate of Ipswich, being the town in which Mr. Butler, of famous memory, was born, and also my own father, and this to continue until the town hath 200*l.* stock, three score pounds a year coming in; every fifth year this to be disposed of and lent out by the two bailiffs of Ipswich, the recorder and four of the chief men of that body, they taking good security for every 20*l.* so lent, in like order as Wisbeach doth. Every town having the 200*l.* stock, to be lent freely for 20 years, and shifting to new parties every 20 years (except the University). My intent and meaning is, that the three score pounds a year shall continue to every town afterwards every fifth year, but the use changed; that is, as it falls to come to every town, instead of lending it to young men or others as before expressed, this three score pounds a year shall be given and bestowed upon poor honest men that be imprisoned for debt, or old women, or the relief of poor men in want, or to relieve them out of prison for debt, desiring them entrusted with this business, as they will answer it before God, that they relieve the most honest, godliest and religious men and women in the said several towns, that have lived well and had a good report, being fallen into decay by some extraordinary occasion, and not to give it to dissembling hypocritical persons."

And by a codicil, dated the 20th September following, Mr. Crane added, "Item, my meaning is, that if any of them entrusted to lend this 20*l.* a piece to divers men be so careless in doing thereof as they lose one half of the former 200*l.*, that then the other towns formerly bequeathed the like shall have the whole profit of this my gift bestowed on them, for the use of the poor of them towns, and that town to have no more. Item, I do give 40*s.* to every town where this money is to be bestowed to have a sermon that year, to invite other men to do the like. Item, I have desired my executors to buy 62*l.* a year for the use of the poor; 20*l.* a piece to honest young men for 20 years freely. I will that this continue till every town has 200*l.* to lend to 10 young men, and after that the 60*l.* shall go to the use of the poor, as in this my last will is set down."

And Mr. Crane appointed John Crane, of Houghton, in Bucks, and Thomas Rant, esq., his executors, who, in pursuance of the said will, and of a decree in Chancery, dated 28th June 1658, did, by indenture, bearing date 4th August 1658, sell to 10 feoffees (two appointed by each corporation) several parcels of land, meadow and pasture, containing by estimation 132 acres, lying in the several bounders in Fleet and Holbitch, in the parts of Holland, in Lincolnshire, then let upon a lease for 20 years to John Atterton and William his son, at the yearly rent of 62*l.*, to the use of them and their heirs, but subject to the trusts and uses in the said indenture expressed, &c. And in regard to the corporation of Ipswich, this indenture says,—“And upon further trust that they, their heirs and assigns, shall permit and suffer the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich for the time being to take and receive the fifth year's rent or revenue of the said land and premises hereafter to grow due, that is to say, the yearly rents and profits thereof which grow due or payable in and for the year 1662, and so afterwards every fifth year's rent of the said lands successively, the one after the other, as the same shall happen, from and next after the said year 1662, in such like manner and order as the said John Crane did by his last will limit and appoint the said yearly rents to be disposed of by the two bailiffs, the recorder and four of the chief men of that body for the time being, in such manner and form, and to such person and persons, and for such time and times, and to and for such uses, intents and purposes as the said John Crane hath, in and by his last will and codicil annexed thereto as aforesaid, directed, limited and appointed as touching and concerning the same, and not otherwise, nor in any other manner; out of which said yearly rents and profits 40*s.* is to be thereout from time to time paid for the preaching of a sermon, which is to be had and preached in the parish church of St. Matthew's, in Ipswich aforesaid, being the parish wherein the testator's father was born, on the second Tuesday in October in every year, that the said rents shall be so had and received by the said bailiffs, &c. and their successors for the time being, in commemoration of the said testator, and of the charitable gift aforesaid. And upon this further trust and confidence, that when there is not above two left of the said feoffees living, that they and their heirs shall, upon the request and at the charge of the said University and the four towns before mentioned, assure the said premises to ten other persons and their heirs, two whereof to be nominated by each of the said five places, for and upon the same and like trusts as before mentioned, whereby the said good and charitable gift and bequest may be continued as aforesaid, and so on for ever."

The rents arising from this estate have very considerably increased within the last few years, and now amount to 403*l.* per annum, or thereabouts, and have been received every fifth year by the bailiffs and such other members of the corporation as were appointed by the will of Mr. Crane, and by them distributed among poor persons of their selection. The 200*l.* given for the purpose of being lent out in sums of 20*l.* was not received by the corporation for some years subsequent to the death of Mr. Crane, but when received, it was added to other charitable donations given by different individuals for the purpose of being lent out, and formed part of a fund called the Lending Cash, and which fund was principally established by the gift of Sir Thomas White, an account of which follows. Sir Thomas White's gift appears by an indenture, dated 1st July 1556, between the mayor, burgesses and commonalty of the city of Bristol, of the first part; the president and scholars of the college of St. John Baptist, in the University of Oxford, founded by the said Sir Thomas White, on the second part; and the master and wardens of Merchant Tailors' Hall, of the fraternity of St. John Baptist, of the city of London, on the other part; wherein, among other things which do not immediately concern the town of Ipswich, is contained as follows:—

"And further, the mayor, &c. of Bristol, for them and their successors, do covenant and grant, with the consent and agreement of the said Sir Thomas White, to and with the president and scholars aforesaid, and their successors, by these presents, that the said mayor, &c. of Bristol, and their successors and assigns, shall, on the feast-day of St. Bartholomew the Apostle which shall



shall be in the year of our Lord 1597, at the said Common Hall of Merchant Tailors, in London, between the hours of two and six o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, pay and deliver unto the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich, or to their attorney, sufficiently authorized under the common seal of the said town, requiring the same, the sum of 104 *l.* of lawful money of England, upon condition and for the intent that the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich, or their assigns, shall, on the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next after the receipt thereof, disburse or pay, or cause to be delivered and paid, to four young men of the said town (clothiers to be preferred before others), to be named and appointed by the bailiffs, &c. of the said town for the time being, or the most part of them, the sum of 100 *l.* of lawful money of England, that is to say, to every one of them 25 *l.*, to have and occupy the same for the term of 10 years next after the receipt of the same to their most profit, commodity and advantage, without anything given or paying for the leave of the same, so as they dwell within the said town of Ipswich, or the suburbs of the same, for the term of 10 years next after the receipt of the same, they and every of them finding unto the said bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich, or to such other head officers as they the said bailiffs, &c. shall appoint, sufficient sureties or sufficient pawn for the true repayment thereof at the end of the said 10 years; to the intent and upon condition the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich, or their assigns, shall, upon the receipt of the said 100 *l.* in the end of the said term of 10 years, deliver the said sum of 100 *l.* on the feast of St. Michael the Archangel, to four other poor young men of the said town of Ipswich, being of honest name and fame, occupiers and inhabitants within the said town, and freemen of the same, for other 10 years next ensuing the receipt thereof, they and every of them finding such sufficient securities or sufficient pawn for the true repayment thereof in the end of the said 10 years, without anything for the leave thereof. And after every 10 years the same sum of 100 *l.* to be and remain received and delivered again by the said bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich, or their assigns, to four poor young men of honest name and fame, occupiers and inhabitants within the said town, and freemen of the same, to be named and appointed as abovesaid, to have and occupy the same for their most profit and advantage during the term of 10 years after the receipt thereof, in manner and form as above rehearsed, and in this manner of delivering the sum of 100 *l.* to four young men as aforesaid of the said town of Ipswich, to occupy for 10 years, and so from 10 years to 10 years, to have continuance within the said town of Ipswich, by God's help, for ever."

And further, the said mayor, &c. of Bristol aforesaid, for them and their successors, do covenant and grant by these presents, that when and as soon as all and every of the said 24 cities, company and towns have had and received their disbursement of the sums appointed to them by the order and form of these present indentures, for the uses, good intents and purposes before rehearsed, in manner and form aforesaid, that then the mayor, &c. of Bristol, and their successors, shall anew begin and make payment and disbursement of the like sums and disbursements of all the said sums of money aforesaid, to the uses, purposes and intents before rehearsed, orderly to the cities, company and towns afore specified, in order as they are in these presents placed yearly, and every year from year to year henceforth for ever, in such order, form and manner as in these presents is expressed and declared, always beginning first with the city of Bristol, and so to run in course from city, company and town, to city, company and town, to have continuance from time to time, by God's help, for ever, according to the true meaning and effect of these presents, and to the good purposes and intents of the said Sir Thomas White, knight, declared, &c.

Mrs. *Rose Bloise*, in 1579, gave to the bailiffs, &c. of Ipswich 20 *l.*, to be kept and employed for ever by them for the relief of such poor young men as are handicrafts and dwelling in the said town, for the erecting of their stock, to be lent for two or three years together to four several persons, 5 *l.* each, upon good security, by bond and two good sureties, and that the next in kindred should have the preference, to be lent out at the discretion of the bailiffs and coroners for the time being, with the governors of Christ's Hospital in the same town; to be taken in at the times of payment, and lent to others upon the same terms, for ever.

Mr. *John Tye*, in 1583, gave to the bailiffs, to be paid by his executors 18 months after his decease, 25 *l.*, to be lent by them to five or more honest poor persons, inhabitants of the said town, that either are decayed by losses or be willing to travel for their living, without interest, upon sufficient obligations, with two sureties, that are not inhabitants, for the repayment thereof at such times as shall be agreed upon, and none to be lent for more than three years together, and then to others; and those that had it last not to have it again until three years are expired.

Mr. *Thomas Goodwin*, portman, in 1595, gave to the bailiffs, &c. 40 *l.*, to be lent out to four poor occupiers for two years, without interest, and then to other four for two years more, and so to others after that, from two years to two years, for ever.

Mrs. *Alice Bloise*, late the wife of Mr. William Bloise, in 1608, gave to the town of Ipswich 40 *l.* of good and lawful money of England, to the use, intent and purpose that the said 40 *l.* should be lent to six young men, being freemen of the said town, for three years, that is to say, 6 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.*, by even and equal portions, putting in bond, with two good sureties, unto the township of Ipswich, for the payment of the several sums again, which bonds and sureties shall be first allowed by the bailiffs of the said town for the time being, and so consequently to lend the aforesaid sum of money from three years to three years, taking the like bonds with two sureties, so long as the world shall endure.

Mr. *William Birden*, in 1616, gave to the bailiffs, &c. 20 *l.*, to be lent out to four poor occupiers or tradesmen of the Company of Shearmen, freemen or inhabitants of the said town of Ipswich, every of them 5 *l.* for four years, and so to others after them, to be lent from four years to four years for ever, and every borrower to put in two sureties.

Mr. *John Barret*, the same year, gave to the bailiffs, &c. 20 *l.*, to be lent from time to time to four poor shoemakers, inhabiting for the time being within the said town of Ipswich, to every of them 5 *l.* for four years, gratis, upon such security as they shall think fit, and so afterwards to be lent to others.

Mr. *William*

Mr. *William Acton*, the same year, gave to the bailiffs, &c. 80 *l.*, to be by them for the time being lent, with the consent of his executor, to four poor clothiers, gratis, free burgesses and inhabitants of the said town of Ipswich, to every of them 20 *l.*, upon good security, for four years, and after those four years were expired, to be lent to other four clothiers the like term, upon like security, in like manner, for ever.

Mr. *John Acton*, son and executor of the said William, added 20 *l.*, to be lent as his father's gift.

Mr. *Christopher Cock*, in 1634, gave to the town of Ipswich 100 *l.*, to be lent out to four clothiers, 25 *l.* each person, and to be continued in their hands, gratis, for five years, then to be lent out to four others, and so on for ever.

Mr. *William Hunt*, in 1635, gave 100 *l.* to the town of Ipswich, to be lent to five poor tradesmen in the parish of St. Mary Elms, in Ipswich, at four per cent., for five years; to give bond, with good security, for the payment of the principal, with the interest, to the churchwardens of the aforesaid parish, to be paid always upon St. John's-day, in order to buy shifts and shirts, to be distributed to the poor of the said parish; but of this the corporation received no more than 60 *l.*

Mr. *Thomas Rederick*, clerk, in 1651, gave 100 *l.* to the town of Ipswich, out of certain lands in Essex, to be lent to godly tradesmen for five years, upon good security, gratis; but of this the town received no more than 76 *l.*, which was ordered to be lent to three shoemakers and three shearmen, 10 *l.* each, and 8 *l.* each to two other tradesmen.

Mr. *Thomas Thrower*, in 1656, gave to the town of Ipswich 100 *l.*, to be lent out freely to 10 tradesmen, being freemen, for three years, 10 *l.* each, and then to others, and so on for ever.

Mr. *Thomas Burroughs*, in 1664, gave 100 *l.* to the bailiffs and portmen of Ipswich, or their treasurer, that they, with the consent of the assembly and commonalty of the town, upon good security, as they shall think fit, shall lend the said 100 *l.* to 10 grocers, freemen of the said town, which have fully served their apprenticeships, and have most need thereof, and are likewise reputed good husbands, and of an orderly and sober conversation; that is to say, to each of them 10 *l.* for 10 whole years, gratis, without any use or interest to be required, but not to be tied up to the trade of grocers, unless there be a sufficient number of that trade who are willing to accept of the same.

Sir *Samuel Sorrel*, knight, and portman, in 1665, gave to the bailiffs and burgesses of Ipswich 100 *l.*, to be lent out gratis, upon good security, to four grocers, young beginners, and free of the said town of Ipswich and inhabitants therein, for the space of seven years, and so to be lent out from seven years to seven years for ever.

The funds arising from these gifts were at the time of their being received invested in the manner directed, but from the nature of the securities, and the circumstances of the parties to whom the money was placed out, the greater part of the principal monies have been long lost to the corporation; the renewal of Sir Thomas White's gift once in 24 years being the only available source of perpetuating the charity. The above funds were formerly placed in the hands of a single treasurer, but about the year 1703 the corporation ordered this money to be paid to the clavigers, who are three officers annually chosen out of the common councilmen. The last entry that appears in the corporation audit-book respecting the state and distribution of this charity is dated in 1816, and of which the following is a copy:—

“ 27 September 1816.

“ Then audited and allowed the accounts of the clavigers to the present time, whereby it appears there is in their hands in cash to the amount of 11 *s.* 6 *d.*; in bonds, 2,196 *l.* 10 *s.*, making in the whole 2,197 *l.* 1 *s.* 7 *d.*, lending cash.”

Having thus endeavoured to comply with Lord Melbourne's directions respecting the state of the charities of this town and borough, I beg to refer his Lordship for further information thereon to the published Report of His Majesty's Commissioners upon Public Charities, which contains a very full detail of the revenues and management of the charities in this town.

28 June 1833.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Ipswich.

NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.
1812:		1814:	
Edward Bacon - -	Banker.	Samuel Thorndike - -	Silversmith and Jeweller.
John Denny - - -	Surgeon.	John Denny.	
Henry Seekamp - -	Apothecary.	Henry Seekamp.	
Benjamin Brame - -	Attorney.	John Forsett - - -	Plumber.
John Spooner - - -	Banker.	Benjamin Brame.	
William Barnard Clarke -	Gentleman.	John Spooner.	
1813:		1815:	
William Batley - - -	Collector of Customs.	William Batley.	
James Thorndike - - -	Merchant.	James Thorndike.	
Henry Seekamp.		Henry Seekamp.	
Benjamin Brame.		Benjamin Brame.	
John Spooner.		John Spooner.	
William Barnard Clarke.		William Barnard Clarke.	

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NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	NAMES.	PROFESSION or TRADE.
1816: John Denny. Samuel Boggis - - -	Comptroller of Customs.	1824: William Barnard Clarke Sir Wm. Fowle Middleton -	Baronet.
Henry Seekamp. Benjamin Brame. John Spooner. William Barnard Clarke.		1825: Frederick Francis Seekamp. Charles Chambers Hammond William Hammond. Benjamin Brame. William Barnard Clarke. John Edgar Rust.	
1817: Edward Bacon. John Eddowes Sparrowe -	Attorney.	1826: William Lane - - -	Gentleman.
Henry Seekamp. John Spooner. William Barnard Clarke. John Edgar Rust - -	Gentleman.	John Chevallier Cobbold -	Attorney.
1818: William Batley. John Denny. Henry Seekamp. Benjamin Brame. John Spooner. William Barnard Clarke.		William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond John Edgar Rust. Benjamin Brame.	
1819: James Thorndike. John Eddowes Sparrowe. William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond - -	Attorney.	1827: Frederick Francis Seekamp. Joseph Pooley - - -	Gentleman.
Benjamin Brame. Frederick Francis Seekamp	Merchant.	William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond. Benjamin Brame. John Edgar Rust. Charles Chambers Hammond	
1820: William Barnard Clarke. Benjamin Brame. Frederick Francis Seekamp. Sir Wm. Fowle Middleton -	Baronet.	1828: William Lane. Benjamin Batley Catt -	Surveyor.
Stephen Abbott Notcutt -	Attorney.	William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond. John Edgar Rust. Benjamin Brame.	
1821: John Edgar Rust. Sir Wm. Fowle Middleton -	Baronet.	1829: Edward Bacon. John Chevallier Cobbold. William Barnard Clarke. Frederick Francis Seekamp. William Hammond. Benjamin Brame.	
Frederick Francis Seekamp. William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond. Benjamin Brame.		1830: Benjamin Batley Catt. William Calver - - -	Merchant.
1822: Benjamin Brame. William Hammond. Frederick Francis Seekamp. Sir Wm. Fowle Middleton -	Baronet.	William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond. Frederick Francis Seekamp. Benjamin Brame.	
William Barnard Clarke. John Edgar Rust.		1831: John Chevallier Cobbold. Thomas Dunningham -	Banker.
1823: William Batley. John Aldrich - - -	Wine Merchant.	William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond. Frederick Francis Seekamp. Benjamin Brame.	
William Hammond. Benjamin Brame. William Barnard Clarke. John Edgar Rust.		1832: Benjamin Batley Catt. Richard William Porter -	Attorney.
1824: Frederick Francis Seekamp. Charles Chambers Hammond William Hammoud. Benjamin Brame.	Surgeon.	William Barnard Clarke. William Hammond. Frederick Francis Seekamp. Benjamin Brame.	

(signed) John E. Sparrowe,  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF KENDAL.

## CHAMBERLAIN'S ACCOUNTS.

## ANNUAL RECEIPTS from Michaelmas 1829 till Michaelmas 1830.

		£.	s.	d.
1829:				
Nov. - 9	Balance from last year - - - - -	25	17	7
- 16	Rents received by the corporation - - - - -	375	19	10
1830:				
June - 20	Quit-rents received by the corporation - - - - -	26	18	6½
- -	Received by interest of money lent to the canal committee - - -	45	-	-
		£.	473	15 11½

## DISBURSEMENTS from Michaelmas 1829 till Michaelmas 1830.

		£.	s.	d.
1829:				
October 1	Admission stamps and fees for two new burgesses - - - - -	6	14	-
Nov. - 9	Rent of tolls farmed by corporation - - - - -	20	-	-
- -	Lord's rent, paid to the Earl of Lonsdale - - - - -	2	2	-
- -	- Ditto - to W. W. C. Wilson, esq. - - - - -	13	-	-
- -	- Ditto - to Mrs. Atkinson - - - - -	-	14	8
- -	- Ditto - to the Hon. F. G. Howard - - - - -	-	13	4
- 21	- Ditto - to Rev. S. Bateman - - - - -	13	3	6
1830:				
January 3	Paid to Mr. Clarke, as per account - - - - -	13	3	-
- 25	Paid Rev. J. Sampson, free-school, half year's salary - - - - -	4	14	-
- -	Paid usher's salary - - - - -	4	-	-
- -	Paid interest on 40 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	1	-	-
Feb. - 13	Paid interest on money borrowed by the corporation - - - - -	72	-	-
March 16	Paid the Rev. J. Hudson, vicar, per afternoon lectures - - - - -	15	18	8
- -	Paid Mr. Scarrisbrick, organist, one year's salary - - - - -	2	12	6
- 20	Paid Wm. Coward, joiner, as per account - - - - -	8	17	-
- -	Paid John Compston, as per account - - - - -	2	-	10½
April 23	Paid churchwardens Good Friday's dole - - - - -	4	10	-
- -	Exhibition to Queen's College, Oxford, paid Wm. Fenton - - - - -	10	-	-
- -	Paid insurance - - - - -	4	11	-
June - 9	Paid mayor's salary - - - - -	120	-	-
- -	Deputy-recorder's salary - - - - -	21	-	-
- -	Paid Serjeant Hodgson one year's salary - - - - -	4	4	-
- -	Paid Serjeant Walker - - ditto - - - - -	4	4	-
- -	Paid sword-bearer - - - ditto - - - - -	4	4	-
- -	Paid burgesses' serjeant - - - - -	2	12	-
- 16	Paid Rev. John Sampson, free-school, half year's salary - - - - -	4	14	-
- -	Paid usher's salary - - - - -	4	-	-
- -	Paid interest on 40 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	1	-	-
- -	Paid Mr. Carraders, builder, as per account - - - - -	4	17	10½
- -	Paid sundry small accounts - - - - -	14	7	1½
- -	Paid James Webster, as per account - - - - -	4	10	4
Sept. - 25	Paid Robert Wilson, as per account - - - - -	3	10	6
Oct. - 18	Paid Thomas Richardson, as per account - - - - -	2	2	-½
- -	Paid E. Tatham, as per account - - - - -	3	-	3½
- 23	Paid J. Irving, as per account - - - - -	9	17	-
- -	Paid Jos. Clarke, as per account - - - - -	24	7	8
- -	Paid town-clerk, per admission stamps - - - - -	6	-	8
- -	Paid Samuel Compston, as per account - - - - -	5	9	10
- -	Paid Anthony Hodgson, as per account - - - - -	4	17	10
- -	Sundry expenses - - - - -	-	12	6
- -	Balance due to next year - - - - -	24	9	9
		£.	473	15 11½

## CANAL ACCOUNT—Kendal.

Dr.			Cr.		
	£.	s. d.		£.	s. d.
4 January 1833:					
Balance in bank, 4 January 1832	658	19 8	By interest of 5,850 l.	-	249 - -
Rents of the canal wharfs and other premises attached thereto	584	2 10	Agent's salary	-	10 10 -
Balance in the hand of the agent, 4 January 1832	-	19 7 6	Disbursements	-	96 9 -
Balance due to agent	-	6 17 10	Paid off money borrowed	-	600 - -
Interest from the bank	-	1 18 11	Balance in bank	-	315 7 9
	£.	1,271 6 9		£.	1,271 6 9

19 July 1833.—The canal account owes borrowed money to the amount of 5,250 l.; and the proceeds of that concern are applied, either to the liquidation of that debt or to improvements in the town of Kendal, by order of the corporation.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Kendal.

The mayor and two senior aldermen are the only persons who by virtue of their election to corporate offices become magistrates within this borough.

20 July 1833.

Thomas Harrison, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF KIDDERMINSTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

NAME of Charity.	Description of Property.	RENTAL.	HOW ACQUIRED.	HOW APPLIED.	OBSERVATIONS.
Witnell's Alms	-- Divers lands and messuages in Kidderminster. Rent-charges - -	£. s. d. 203 15 -	-- Divers donations in the times of Elizabeth and James 1.	-- Given in money to the poor immediately after St. Thomas's-day annually.	-- Owes 130 l., borrowed for the purpose of building new houses, by which the charity has been greatly increased.
		7 10 -			
		211 5 -			
Clare's Alms-houses.	-- Houses in Kidderminster.	- Part let to provide funds for repairs, 8 - -	-- By will of Sir Ralph Clare, knight, who died in 1760.	-- The houses not let are occupied by poor persons.	
Higgin's Charity.	-- Five small houses in Kidderminster.	- Two let at 1 s. 6 d., the other at 6 d. per week.	-- By will of Henry Higgins, in 1684.	-- Three houses occupied by poor persons placed there by high bailiff.	-- An ejectment was brought some years ago to recover two of these houses, the costs of which are still unpaid, there being no funds, and scarcely any of the rent of those let received.
Barker's Charity.	-- £. 100 in money, laid out in land to put out poor apprentices; laid out in 1769 in buying a workhouse, and 5 l. paid by overseers. Principal paid to corporation in 1789, to pay off a mortgage on town-hall.	- - -	-- By will of Rich. Barker, in 1665.	-- £. 5 given away on Good Friday, yearly, to poor persons, by high bailiff and senior aldermen of the corporation.	
Grammar School.	-- Lands and messuages in Kidderminster.	491 19 1	- Came into possession before James 1.	For masters.	- This charity is under the control of other feoffees besides the members of the corporation.

N. B.—There are several other charities of which members of the corporation are trustees, but which are not under their control; they have recently been inquired into by the Charity Commissioners, whose Report, it is understood, will soon be printed.

Kidderminster, 28 February 1833.

Thomas Hallen, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICES—*Kidderminster.*

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	NAMES.	Professions and Trades.
John Newcomb -	Carpet Manufacturer.	Thomas Jones -	Grocer.
William Nickolls -	Grocer.	George Hallen -	Attorney and Solicitor.
William Boycot -	Mercer.	Samuel Beddoes -	Baker.
John Roberts -	Woolstapler.	James Cole -	Carpet Manufacturer.
Joseph Newcomb -	Carpet Manufacturer.	George Custance -	Surgeon.
Winter Frost -	- Ditto.	John Gough, junior -	Carpet Manufacturer.
James Sprigg -	Mercer.	Thomas Bradley -	Surgeon.

By an old charter granted to the borough of Kidderminster, in the reign of Charles one of the aldermen was annually elected at Michaelmas to the office of high bailiff, and the last precedent high bailiff was a justice for the following year. These were the only two acting magistrates, (the recorder, Lord Dudley, being a magistrate, but never acting) till 1827, when, by a new charter, dated 6th of August in that year, the three senior aldermen for the time being were made justices, in addition to the high bailiff and justice (or last precedent high bailiff); so that now, in point of fact, there are always five resident acting magistrates.

THE PRESENT ACTING MAGISTRATES—*Kidderminster.*

John Gough, junior -	-	-	Carpet Manufacturer	-	-	-	High Bailiff.
Thomas Bradley -	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	-	Justice.
William Boycot -	-	-	Esquire	-	-	-	} Justices, as the three Senior Aldermen.
Joseph Newcomb -	-	-	Carpet Manufacturer	-	-	-	
William Nickolls -	-	-	Grocer	-	-	-	

Kidderminster, 28 February 1833.

Thomas Hallen, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF KIDWELLY.

By a charter granted by King James the First, the Corporation are in possession of waste lands within the borough, which may be estimated at near 600 acres, paying to the Crown (now to the Earl of Powis), as a fee-farm rent, the yearly sum of 13*l.* 14*s.* 0*d.* There are leases granted on some parts of this land, which are inclosed, and houses or cottages built thereon, but those are inconsiderable. There are no charitable funds in the possession nor at the disposal of this corporation.

Kidwelly, 14th Feb. 1833.

George Stevens, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Kidwelly.*

Year.	MAYORS' NAMES.	Profession, &c.	JUSTICES' NAMES.	Profession, &c.
1813	John Thomas -	Gentleman -	Arnold Evans -	Tidewaiter.
1814	Thomas Willets Nevill -	Gentleman -	John Thomas -	Gentleman.
1815	William Andrews -	Gentleman -	Thomas Willets Nevill -	Gentleman.
1816	John Thomas -	Gentleman -	William Andrews -	Gentleman.
1817	William Andrews -	Gentleman -	John Thomas -	Gentleman.
1818	John Thomas -	Gentleman -	William Andrews -	Gentleman.
1819	John Harris -	Schoolmaster -	William Mansell -	Gentleman.
1820	William Mansell -	Gentleman -	John Harris -	Schoolmaster.
1821	Phillip Howells -	Farmer -	Edward King -	Farmer.
1822	Edward King -	Farmer -	Phillip Howells -	Farmer.
1823	Rees William -	Farmer -	Edward King -	Farmer.
1824	John Anthony -	Farmer -	John Harris -	Schoolmaster.
1825	David Williams -	Farmer -	John Anthony -	Farmer.
1826	James Prickett -	Cordwainer -	David Williams -	Farmer.
1827	John Anthony -	Farmer -	James Prickett -	Cordwainer.
1828	John Gower -	Carpenter -	John Anthony -	Farmer.
1829	David Williams -	Farmer -	John Gower -	Carpenter.
1830	William Mansell -	Gentleman -	David Williams -	Farmer.
1831	Edward King -	Farmer -	William Mansell -	Gentleman.
1832	John Anthony -	Farmer -	Edward King -	Farmer.

George Stevens, Town Clerk.

## KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Almshouse.*—11th May 1665.

*William Cleave*, of the city of London, esquire, by his will of this date, bequeathed all his property in the parish of Kingston-upon-Thames, to the Corporation of Kingston, for the maintenance of six poor men and six poor women of the said town, being single persons above the age of 60; and he also gave 500 *l.* for the erection of suitable houses for the habitation of such poor persons.

*Rental.*—Of several messuages or tenements and lands, in the parish of Kingston-upon-Thames, let to tenants for terms of years at several rentals, amounting to per annum 458 *l.* 19 *s.* 6 *d.*

*Mode of Application.*—The annual proceeds expended in a weekly allowance to six men and six women, in providing for them fuel and clothes, and in the keeping in repair the almshouses.

*Belitha.*—26th March 1717.

*Edward Belitha*, of Kingston-upon-Thames, esquire, by his will of this date, gave the sum of 400 *l.* to the bailiffs and freemen of the town of Kingston-upon-Thames, for the purchase of lands in Kingston, for the purpose of teaching 20 poor children (females) to read and work plain needle work.

*Rental.*—£. 500. in the Three per cent. Consols Bank Annuities, 15 *l.*

*Mode of Application.*—In the teaching of 20 girls in reading and needle work, and in clothing them.

*Brown.*—31st August 1648.

*Elizabeth Brown*, late of Kingston-upon-Thames, by her will of this date, devised a certain messuage in Fleet-street, London, to her executors, to settle upon some of the town of Kingston-upon-Thames, for the education of poor children of the town, for the support of poor godly ministers and other christians in want and necessity, for the buying books for scholars, and for the putting forth apprentices, at the discretion of her executors.

29th and 30th Dec. 1668.—By deeds of lease and release of these dates, the messuage or tenement in Fleet-street was conveyed to the bailiffs and freemen of Kingston-upon-Thames upon the trusts of Mrs. Brown's will.

*Rental.*—A messuage in Fleet-street, London, at the yearly rent of 90 *l.*

*Mode of Application.*—In the clothing of 28 girls, and in their instruction and education.

*Buckland.*—16th January 1618.

*Edward Buckland*, late of Kingston aforesaid, by his will of this date, devised to the bailiffs and freemen of Kingston-upon-Thames, a certain wharf and ground in Kingston, on which to erect a storehouse for providing coals, to be sold to the poor at reasonable rates.

*Rental.*—For the wharf and granary, called Buckland's Wharf, 32 *l.*

*Mode of Application.*—In the purchase of coals, to be resold to the poor at reduced prices.

*King Charles.*—2d June 1636.

The bailiffs and freemen of Kingston, by deed of this date, conveyed to his Majesty King Charles the First certain lands at Kingston, in consideration of the sum of 346 *l.*, out of which sum 100 *l.* was to be retained for the use, sustentation and comfort of the poor people of Kingston, in such manner as the said bailiffs and freemen should find to be best for the poor.

1st September 1709.

Deed of declaration of trust of this date, after reciting the purchase of certain lands at Hersham, in Walton-upon-Thames, Surrey, by the corporation, it was thereby declared that 6 *l.*, part of the rents thereof, should be paid to Mr. Smith's Charity, 5 *l.* to the use of King Charles's Gift, and 1 *l.* 11 *s.* to the bridge-wardens.

*Rental.*—A fee-farm rent issuing out of lands at Hersham, Surrey, 5 *l.*

*Mode of Application.*—In the gift of shoes amongst poor women of the town of Kingston.

*Dolling.*—11th January 1606.

*John Dolling*, citizen and joiner of London, by his will of this date, gave the sum of 50 *l.* to be distributed amongst the poor of Kingston.

11th May 1611.—The bailiffs and freemen purchased, by deed of this date, a close of land in Kingston, with the above-mentioned sum.

*Rental.*—A close of land in the Marsh in Kingston, and the allotment of same, 7 *l.* 11 *s.* 6 *d.*

*Mode of Application.*—In the purchase of shoes for the poor women of the town of Kingston.

*Hurst.*—28th April 1651.

*Edward Hurst*, by his will of this date, gave to the bailiffs and freemen of Kingston, one annuity of 6 *l.*, to be given to 10 poor persons, the sum 1 *s.* upon the first Sunday in every month.

*Rental.*—

*Rental.*—A fee-farm rent issuing out of lands at Norbiton, in Kingston, 6*l*.

*Mode of Application.*—In the gift of 6*d*. in bread and 6*d*. in money to 10 poor widows of Kingston, the first Sunday of each month.

*Nicholls.*—10th November 1726.

*William Nicholls*, by his will of this date, gave 200*l*., to be laid out in the purchase of lands to be vested in the recorder, high steward, bailiffs and vicar of Kingston, and with the rents and profits thereof to lay in sea coals, which were to be sold in the winter to the poor of Kingston at reduced prices.

<i>Rental:</i>										£.	s.	d.
Land at Stoney Stratford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-
Land at Maldon, in Surrey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-
£. 100. in the Three per cent. Consols	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
										£.	29	-

*Mode of Application.*—In the purchase of coals, and resale of them at reduced prices to the poor of Kingston.

*Norton.*—10th July 1599.

*Robert Norton*, by his will of this date, gave an annuity of 20*s*. issuing out of the Crane Inn at Clatteron Bridge, Kingston, and land there, to be distributed at the discretion of the corporation.

*Rental.*—Fee-farm rent issuing out of a house at Kingston, 1*l*.

*Mode of Application.*—In the gift of 1*s*. each to 20 poor widows.

*Price.*—30th December 1624.

*John Price*, by his will of this date, gave to the corporation an annuity of 1*l*., issuing out of a tenement at the south end of Clatteron Bridge, to be given to 20 poor persons.

*Rental.*—A fee-farm rent issuing out of a house at Kingston, 1*l*.

*Mode of Application.*—In the gift of 1*s*. each to 20 poor widows.

*Grammar School.*—7th May 1564.

*Queen Elizabeth*, by letters patent of this date, granted to the bailiffs and freemen of the town of Kingston-upon-Thames, several messuages or tenements and lands, for the support and maintenance of a Free Grammar School for the inhabitants of Kingston-upon-Thames.

<i>Rental:</i>										£.	s.	d.
For lands in the parish of Kingston-upon-Thames, held on leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	13	7
Fee-farm rents arising out of messuages or tenements and lands in Kingston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	13	9
Quit-rents arising out of the same	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	9	6
										£.	93	16

*Mode of Application.*—In payment of the annual salary of the master, and the rates and taxes charged on the school-house, land and premises, in providing fuel for the master, and in repairs of the school-house and chapel.

*Smith.*—11th June 1624.

*Henry Smith*, of London, esq., by articles of agreement of this date, made between him and the bailiffs and freemen of Kingston, gave 1,000*l*. for the benefit of the poor, by providing a stock of goods to keep them in work, by binding forth apprentices, by instructing them in trade, and in relieving the poor and impotent according to their necessities, as to the trustees should seem beneficial; with which sum the corporation purchased certain freehold estates at Esher and Thames Ditton, in Surrey.

<i>Rental:</i>										£.	s.	d.
A fee-farm rent issuing out of the Claremont Estate at Esher	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95	-	-
Two fee-farm rents out of houses at Thames Ditton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Ditto - - - out of land at Hersham, in Surrey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
£. 100. Three per cent. Consols, Bank Annuities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
										£.	106	-

*Mode of Application.*—In the distribution of cloth to the poor of Kingston, and in the apprenticeship of boys.

*Snelling.*—21 February 1633.

*Mark Snelling*, by his will of this date, devised all his freehold property at Hersham and Walton-upon-Thames, Surrey, to the bailiffs and freemen of Kingston, and that the rents and profits thereof should be distributed as follows: 12*l*. thereof to be monthly distributed in 20 sixpenny loaves, and 6*d*. to each of 20 poor householders of Kingston, and the remainder of the rents in the purchase of coals for the poor of the said town.

*Rental.*—Lands in the parish of Walton-upon-Thames on lease, 83*l*. 10*s*.

*Mode of Application.*—In the distribution of coals amongst the poor of Kingston.



*Tiffin.*—15 May 1638.

*Thomas Tiffin*, by his will of this date, gave the sum of 50*l.* to the bailiffs and freemen of Kingston, to be laid out in the purchase of lands, the profits of which to be applied in the education of poor children, and the putting them forth apprentices.

17 November 1639.

*John Tiffin*, by his will of this date, gave to the said bailiffs and freemen the further sum of 100*l.*, with which land was to be bought, and the proceeds arising therefrom he directed to be appropriated in the same manner as his brother had willed.

<i>Rental:</i>										£.	s.	d.
Lands in Kingston-upon-Thames, on lease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59	17	6
£. 100. Three-and-half per cent. South Sea Stock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	10	-
£. 100. in the Three per cent. Consols	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
										£.	66	7 6

*Mode of Application.*—In the clothing and educating 30 boys, and in putting forth apprentices; and in rental of school-house, and repairs of same.

*Tilsley.*—November 1809.

*John Tilsley*, by his will of this date, gave the interest of 1,000*l.* Bank Three per cent. Reduced Annuities to be equally divided amongst the 12 poor men and women in the almshouses in Kingston.

*Rental.*—£. 1,000. Three per cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, 30*l.*

*Mode of Application.*—Equally divided amongst the poor persons in the almshouses.

*Charles Edward Jemmett,*  
Town Clerk.

14 February 1833.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Kingston-upon-Thames.*

##### BAILIFFS :

1813 Thomas Bushell - - Draper.	1823 The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.
Martin Ward - - Gentleman.	Edward Kent - - Esquire.
1814 The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.	1824 William Walton - - Builder.
Richard Muggeridge - Cornfactor.	Charles White Taylor - Gentleman.
1815 Peter Sidebotham - Brewer.	1825 Harry Selfe - - Plumber.
William Varden - - Gentleman.	The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.
1816 The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.	1826 James Fricker - - Auctioneer.
Richard Muggeridge - Cornfactor.	John French - - Baker.
1817 Peter Sidebotham - Brewer.	1827 The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.
William Walton - - Builder.	William Henry Kempster Distiller.
1818 The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.	1828 Harry Selfe - - Plumber.
Jonathan Fricker - - Auctioneer.	Thomas Fricker - - Cooper.
1819 Charles Nicholas Pallmer Esquire.	1829 Charles White Taylor - Gentleman.
William Roots - - Esquire.	William Pepper - - Surveyor.
1820 Joseph Bradshaw - - Gentleman.	1830 Thomas Fricker - - Cooper.
William Walton - - Builder.	William Beale Jones - Chemist.
1821 Thomas Bushell - - Draper.	1831 Alexander Raphael - Esquire.
The Rev. Thomas Wilson Clerk.	William Walton - - Builder.
1822 Harry Selfe - - Plumber.	1832 Thomas Fricker - - Cooper.
Charles White Taylor - Gentleman.	William Beale Jones - Chemist.

Names of the several RECORDERS, who are Magistrates by virtue of their office.

From 1813 to 1830 - - - Thomas Evance, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.

From 1830 to 1832 - - - George Roots, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.

From that period to the present time - - - William Thomas Jemmett, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.

14th February 1833.

*Charles Edward Jemmett,*  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LANCASTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Gardiner's Almshouses.*—Four houses, called Gardiner's Almshouses, in the town of Lancaster: they were formerly a chauntry, founded by John Gardiner, in the reign of King Richard 3, to consist of one chaplain at the altar of the Blessed Virgin, in the parish church of Lancaster, to pray for the souls of the persons therein mentioned; and the chaplain to be a body corporate: and it was ordained that the chaplain and his successors should have and take for his sustenance, and for the sustenance of four poor men in the said almshouse, "the said manor of Baibrigg, and all and singular the messuages, lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, woods and rents, with the profits thereof, so that each of such four men should receive 7*d.* a week for ever; and that a maid serving the said four poor men should have 2*d.* a week yearly, by the hands of the said chaplain and his successors, the same to be paid out of the rents and profits of the said manor and premises by the oversight of the mayor of the town of Lancaster and his 12 brethren for the time being." The chaplain was to be appointed by the mayor and 12 brethren. No directions are given for the appointment of the almspeople; but the mayor and aldermen appoint four poor persons of the town, men or women, whom they deem most worthy.

The yearly sum of 2*l.* 4*s.* is paid by quarterly payments out of the funds of the corporation, and is divided equally amongst the four almspeople, and the bailiff of the commons collects rents to the amount of 4*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* per annum from the owners or occupiers of about 35 different parcels of land, in the townships of Baibrigg, Quermore, Hulton, Gressingham and Scotforth, which sum is also divided amongst the almspeople. In what manner the said sum of 2*l.* 4*s.* became a charge on the funds of the corporation is not known.

*Gillison's Almshouses.*—A hospital, consisting of eight dwelling-houses, founded by Mrs. Anne Gillison, who by will, dated 19th January 1791, gave to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Lancaster a garden or piece of land situate beside her stables in Lancaster, for building the said houses; and she gave to the said mayor and bailiffs 600*l.*, to be by them laid out under the inspection and pursuant to the direction of the mayor and aldermen of Lancaster, in the building of the said houses; and she gave to the said mayor, bailiffs and commonalty 1,000*l.* to be placed at interest on government or real security, or laid out in the purchase of lands. £. 595. 7*s.* 11*d.* was applied in building the almshouses, and the residue was added to the general funds. These almshouses are for the reception of eight destitute unmarried women of good character and behaviour, belonging to the town of Lancaster, to be approved of by the said mayor and aldermen; and in case a sufficient number of such unmarried women should not offer and be approved of, that the mayor and aldermen should elect a sufficient number of poor destitute widows of good character belonging to the town of Lancaster, to supply such deficiency. And as to the said 1,000*l.*, the yearly interest was to be disposed of by the said mayor and aldermen on trust, to pay eight poor women so elected 3*l.* each annually, by quarterly or half-yearly payments, also 8*l.* annually for eight gowns; and in case any surplus should arise from the said 600*l.* and the said 1,000*l.*, such surplus should be placed out at interest to establish a fund for the future repair of the buildings, or the augmenting the annuities of the said poor women, or for both of the said purposes, as the said mayor and aldermen should think proper. The dividends of the stock amount annually to 42*l.*, to which is also added 4*l.* 4*s.* per annum, being dividends arising from the gift of Mrs. France (for an account of which, *vide* the next charity here described). Each of the almswomen receives 4*l.* a year, by half-yearly payments, and 1*l.* is allowed to each of them at Christmas for the purchase of a gown, making up 40*l.* per annum. Five shillings are also paid annually to one of the poor women for locking the hospital gates every evening, and 15*s.* yearly for the insurance of the hospital. The residue is carried to the general account of the charity, out of which the expense of any repairs that may be necessary are defrayed.

*Mrs. France's Bequest.*—Three hundred pounds Navy Five per Cents. purchased originally by the directions of Mrs. France, in the name of the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Lancaster, now 315*l.* New Four per Cents., and by indenture, dated 27th May 1818, between Margaret France, widow, of the first part, and Samuel Gregson, esq. then mayor, and Richard Johnson, and six others, then aldermen of Lancaster, of the other part, was assigned to the mayor and aldermen and their successors, upon trust to pay the dividends to Mrs. France for her life, and on the day after her funeral to pay 20*s.* a piece to each of the inmates of the said Gillison's and one Penny's almshouses, and after payment of the expenses of that deed and other incidental charges attending the trust, to transfer two-thirds of the said funds to the trustees of the Lancaster Dispensary, and as to the other third part, upon trust to apply the dividends towards repairing or improving the dwelling-houses constituting the hospital called Gillison's Hospital, at such times and in such shares as the said mayor and aldermen and their successors should think proper; and the said one-third is applied according to the said deed of trust.

*Sir John Harrison's Charity.*—Sir John Harrison, knight, by will, dated 21st September 1669, gave to the poor of the town of Lancaster 100*l.*, which was paid by his executors to the corporation of Lancaster, to buy land there to pay the poor a yearly revenue for ever. The interest of this money is now distributed by the mayor and bailiffs amongst poor persons of the town not receiving parochial relief.

An estate called the Greaves, situate in the township of Scotforth, near Lancaster, consisting of a dwelling-house, barns and outbuildings, and 75 acres and 9 perches, statute measure, of old inclosure, and 55 acres, 2 roods and 6 perches of new inclosure. The farm and old inclosures are let on lease for a term of 11 years, from the 14th February and 13th May 1830, for 220*l.* per annum, and the new inclosure for 20*l.* per annum, from year to year.

William Heysham, by will, bearing date 22d April 1725, gave all his messuages, lands and tenements called the Greaves, situated near Lancaster, in case he should die without issue, to Mary Miller for life, and after her decease to the corporation of Lancaster for ever, in trust that the rents and profits should be applied for the equal use and benefit of such eight poor men of and inhabiting within the town of Lancaster, for their respective lives, as the mayor, recorder and the three senior aldermen for the time being should appoint.

Out of the clear rents a quarterly allowance is made to eight poor men of good character belonging to and residing in the town of Lancaster, and not receiving parochial relief, such persons being appointed for their respective lives as vacancies occur, by the mayor, recorder and three senior aldermen. A portion of the income is retained as a fund to defray the salary of a land agent, insurance, necessary repairs, and charges of management and other incidental expenses. The quarterly payment to each of the poor men in December 1832 was 7*l*. The new inclosures require improvement, which will take a considerable sum of money.

*Henrietta Rigby's Charity*.—One hundred pounds legacy, supposed to have been originally paid to the corporation of Lancaster.

The manner in which the same was acquired :

Henrietta Rigby, by will, dated 5th August 1741, directed that her executrix should pay into the hands of such two persons as should at her death be vicar of the parish church of Lancaster, and mayor of the same town, the sum of 100*l*., in trust to lay the same out in the purchase of lands near the town of Lancaster, and on every 1st March yearly, at their discretion, distribute and pay the clear rents or profits thereof as follows ; to wit, 20*s*. amongst such four of the poorest widows, housekeepers, living within the town of Lancaster, as they should believe to be most necessitous, and the residue equally amongst 12 of the most necessitous prisoners who should be known to be laborious, sober people, and who should not lavish their money and time in drinking or gaming.

The sum of 4*l*. is paid annually out of the funds of the corporation ; 20*s*., part thereof, is distributed by the vicar and mayor of Lancaster, about the month of June, equally amongst four poor widows of the town, two of whom are selected by the mayor, and two by the vicar. The remaining 3*l*. is disposed of by the gaoler of Lancaster Castle, with other charity money, according to the directions of the 35th section of the Gaol Act (4 Geo. 4, c. 63), and an account is rendered by him to the magistrates, as the Act requires.

*Lancaster Free Grammar-School*.—There are no documents in existence relating to its foundation, except the will of John Gardyner, dated 21st June 1470, wherein he wills that a certain grammar-school within the town of Lancaster be supported freely at his own proper charges, and that the grammar-master keeping the said school might have per annum six marks to be received from the said mill (the mill of Newtowne, elsewhere called the water mill in the town of Newton, situate upon the river Loyne), by the hands of his executors ; but as far back as can be traced, it appears to have been entirely under the management and control of the corporation, and to have been maintained chiefly at their expense out of their general funds. The earliest document noticing the existence of this grammar-school that can now be found is the will of Randal Carter, dated 18th April 1615, whereby, amongst other things, he gave to John Marshall and Richard Yearwood, their heirs and assigns, an annuity of 10*l*. per annum towards the maintenance of an usher in the free grammar-school at Lancaster, charged upon and issuing out of his lands and tenements in White Cross-street, London, which is applied accordingly. Besides this the usher receives the rent of a field in Lancaster, called Usher's Meadow, and except the above there are no funds specifically applicable to the support of the school.

*Lancaster Marsh*.—A tract of land called Lancaster Marsh, situate within the borough and town of Lancaster, containing 210 acres or thereabouts, formerly a stinted pasture, but some time ago inclosed. This tract of land is supposed to have been part of the town's lands, and by long usage became a stinted pasture for the benefit of the 80 oldest freemen and their widows. In the year 1796, an Act of Parliament was passed for embanking, draining and otherwise improving Lancaster Marsh. By that Act, the cattlegates or grasses were extinguished, and the corporation were empowered to divide the marsh into separate inclosures, and to let them for any term not exceeding 21 years, and after deducting all taxes, charges, assessments, costs, charges, disbursements and expenses attending the execution of the trust, to pay the surplus to and amongst the persons who for the time being would have been entitled to grass or cattlegates, or any other right or interest upon in or from the said marsh, in the same shares and proportions as they would have been entitled to in case the said marsh had continued to be a stinted pasture.

Pursuant to a power contained in the said Act, the said trustees, on the 18th May 1796, borrowed 700*l*. on mortgage of the said tract of ground, and on 23d February 1797 a further sum of 700*l*., to defray the expenses of obtaining the said Act and to carry the trusts thereof into execution. In the year 1821, 300*l*. on account of principal was repaid, and the remaining 1,100*l*., with interest, remains a charge on the land. The rents amount to about 400*l*. per annum, and are applied according to the Act of Parliament. Since the inclosures were made pursuant to the Act, they have been let for a term of years to various persons ; the last term of seven years commenced 14th February 1830, and one of the bailiffs, called the bailiff of the commons, collects them, and keeps a book of account. The annual rents at the present time amount to about 400*l*., which is a considerably larger sum than ever they let for before.

*Property belonging to the Corporation of Lancaster*.—Three inns or public-houses, the town-hall, two dwelling-houses near Lancaster Bridge ; the thorough and passage and market and cable tolls ; a public shambles, a room for the inspection and sealing of hides, and an inn called the Black Horse ; sundry lots of land near the river Lime ; a parcel of pasture land called Salt Area ; a fishery in the river Lime ; a parcel of land denominated the Castle Park, and the ditch ; several quarries on Lancaster Moor ; two allotments on Quernmore Moor ; three farms in Quernmore, containing 148 A. 1 R. 14 P. of the measure of seven yards to the pole ; two pews in the south gallery of St. Mary's church in Lancaster, and five pews in the chancel of that church.

The corporation of Lancaster also are seised of various parcels of land situate within the borough, which have been let to various persons from time to time on leases for 41 years under small annual rents, and upon most of which, houses, warehouses and other buildings have been erected. The leases

leases are renewed at the expiration of 41 years, on payment of a fine of 20 years' amount of the reserved rents, as mentioned in the leases.

The receipts and payments, and all the accounts of the corporate property, are annually audited and publicly read on the charter-day at an open assembly of the burgesses. See copy of the last year's account annexed.

*John Higgins, jun.*  
Town Clerk.

Borough and Town of Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster, to wit.

The ACCOUNTS of *Oliver Toulmin Roper* and *Thomas Mason*, Gentlemen, Bailiffs of the said Borough and Town of Lancaster, from Thursday next after the feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, in the second year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord William the Fourth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, until Thursday next after the feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, then next following, for one whole year, ending the 25th day of October 1832.

*Thomas Giles, Esq., Mayor.*

	£.	s.	d.
Received by the said bailiffs, as by contract of farmers of the passage and cable tolls of Lancaster, Thornbush, Longmoor, Yeat and Quermore, including the pasturage on Green Area, above the bridge	435	5	—
Received for the anchorage and cable tolls	10	9	7½
Received amount of market tolls and arks	44	7	6
Received for estrays this year	—	11	—
Received on account of copyhold rents	215	4	6
Received for rent of stone quarries	41	14	—
Received for fines of new burgesses	38	6	8
Received for burials in the chancel of Lancaster church	—	—	—
Received for cellars and vaults under the town-hall	7	—	—
Received for a year's rent of two houses near the Bridge Inn	39	—	—
Received for rent of Salt Area and wastes	10	15	—
Received from sundry persons for rent of lots on the Green Area	50	11	—
Received from sundry persons, for erecting booths on Lancaster Moor during the races	—	—	—
Received for one year's rent of the County Lunatic Asylum	—	5	—
Received for the rent of two pews in the south gallery of St. Mary's church	6	—	—
Received dividends of stock held in trust for the Dispensary, from Mrs. France, deceased	8	15	3
Received dividends of stock held in trust for Gillison's Hospital	5	15	4
Received for rent of Deep Carr Meadow	12	10	—
Received Randal Carter's donation to the usher of the free grammar-school, one year	10	—	—
Received rent of grand stand	—	—	—
Received on account of the shambles rents	225	10	11
Received one year's dividend on 111 <i>l.</i> 19 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i> in 3½ per cent. stock, on account of the National Schools	3	18	4
Received dividend on 2,100 <i>l.</i> , 3½ per cent. stock, for the use of the Lancaster National School	73	10	—
Received rent of Little Fell allotment	4	10	—
Received rent of race-course allotments	3	3	6
Received for wood cut down in the plantation on the moor and at Ladies' Walk	—	—	—
Received fines and amerciaments	—	—	—
Received for potters' stands at Stone Well	—	—	—
Received from the commissioners of police and others, for getting sand and gravel at the side of the River Lime	—	3	6
Received on account of the fee-farm rents and renewals	38	—	½
Received from Thomas Lowtas one year's rent of Bellman's Paddock	1	1	—
Received from Thomas Housman Higgins rent of herbage of Castle Park	—	6	—
Received from the Lancaster Banking Company, agreeable to an order in council	299	6	—
Received from sundry persons, for soil from Lancaster Moor	—	11	8
Received fine from James Riley, for a nuisance	—	—	6
£.	1,586	11	4½

Allowed the said Bailiffs:

	£.	s.	d.
Allowed the said bailiffs, by them paid, the fee-farm rent of the town and copyholds, to Sir W. Henry Ashurst	—	—	—
Allowed them, paid for fees and salaries, to wit:			
Mr. Mayor	£. 84	—	—
Mr. Recorder	—	—	—
The bailiffs	21	—	—
The serjeant-at-mace	2	10	—
Bellman	—	2	—
Mace-bearer	5	5	—
	112	17	—
Allowed them, paid for liveries	27	10	—
Allowed them, paid the beadle for ringing the fish-market bell, and as swineherd	26	—	—
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	£.	s.	d.
Allowed them, paid the serjeants-at-mace, and in lieu of nights and fairs - -	7	11	8
Allowed them, paid serjeant-at-mace for summoning and expenses of juries on inquests - - - - -	1	5	-
Allowed them, paid the musician's salary and fairs - - - - -	9	9	-
Allowed them, paid surveyor's salary - - - - -	10	10	-
Allowed them, paid the almsmen in Gardner's chantry - - - - -	2	4	-
Allowed them, paid the assessments for the tolls, toll-houses and estates and land-tax - - - - -	13	17	7½
Allowed them, paid the masters of the free grammar-school - - - - -	130	-	-
Allowed them, paid the carter of the Kent sands - - - - -	-	2	6
Allowed them, paid expenses for entertainment of the officers of the Duke of Lancaster's own regiment of militia - - - - -	-	-	-
Allowed them, paid for new buildings and repairs at the copyholds, and for repairs at the town-hall, shambles and other property - - - - -	84	2	11
Allowed them, paid the interest of Mrs. Henrietta Rigby's legacy to the prisoners in Lancaster Castle - - - - -	4	-	-
Allowed them, paid the chaplain of this corporation - - - - -	1	1	-
Allowed them, paid the rent of the officer's seat in the chapel - - - - -	1	10	-
Allowed them, paid for cleaning pews at chapel and church - - - - -	1	7	-
Allowed them, paid premium of insurance on the town-hall, shambles and other property, from fire - - - - -	12	7	6
Allowed them, paid clock-keeper for repairs and salary - - - - -	3	18	-
Allowed them, paid one year's ground-rent to Mr. John Lodge, of land behind toll-house in Leonard Gate - - - - -	2	12	6
Allowed them, paid the stewards of the races - - - - -	-	-	-
Allowed them, paid the usher of the free grammar-school the rent of Deep Carr Meadow - - - - -	12	10	-
Allowed them, paid interest of 500 l. to the executors of William Hodgson, 500 l. to executors of Jackson Mason - - - - -	72	2	5
Allowed them, paid the treasurer of the Dispensary the dividends arising from Mrs. France's bequest - - - - -	8	15	3
Allowed them, the like to trustees of Gillison's Hospital - - - - -	5	15	4
Allowed them, paid the treasurer of the National School the dividend on Piper's donation - - - - -	73	10	-
Allowed them, paid one year's dividend on 111 l. 19 s. 11 d. in 3¼ per cent. standing in the name of the corporation, as trustees for the National Schools -	3	18	4
Allowed them, paid Benjamin Satterthwaite in payment of his mortgage on the shambles - - - - -	225	10	11
Allowed them, paid the commissioners of the Lancaster Police Act - - - - -	100	-	-
Allowed them, paid expenses on the control nights, and collecting rents and letting property - - - - -	12	12	6
Allowed them, paid repairs of the chancel of Lancaster church, as per order in council - - - - -	30	1	-
Allowed them, paid for painting roof of the chancel in Lancaster church - -	5	18	-
Allowed them, paid Mr. Mayor's libel - - - - -	18	15	9
Allowed them, paid planting and improving the Ladies' Walk, and draining, &c. at copyholds - - - - -	31	13	4
Allowed them, paid ringers on the King's birth-day and other rejoicing days, expenses of fairs, court-days, judges, &c. coronation and election - - -	-	13	4
Allowed them, paid the salaries of the peck sealers - - - - -	50	-	-
Allowed them, paid the town clerk's salary - - - - -	52	8	6
Allowed them, paid law expenses - - - - -	299	6	-
Allowed them, paid the town clerk balance expenses of toll cause, as per order in council - - - - -	-	18	6
Allowed them, paid the expenses on the audit - - - - -	18	12	11
Allowed them, paid for printing and advertising and stationery - - - - -	-	10	6
Allowed them, paid for cleaning the halberts - - - - -	1	1	-
Allowed them, paid for copying bailiffs' books - - - - -	20	2	4
Allowed them, paid maintenance of prisoners in the borough gaol - - - - -	-	8	-
Allowed them, paid the auditors - - - - -	5	-	-
Allowed them, paid Sir John Harrison's legacy to the poor of Lancaster - -	1	1	-
Allowed them, paid the bellman rent of paddock - - - - -	7	3	3
Allowed them, paid for fuel, candles, brushes, &c. used at the town-hall -	-	-	-
Allowed them, paid for furniture, &c. for the town-hall - - - - -	3	5	-
Allowed them, paid expenses attending the registering of freemen, according to the Reform Bill - - - - -	43	13	9
Allowed them, paid expenses incurred in opposing the removal of the assizes -	£.	1,558	2 7½

Town-hall, 25 October 1832.

Audited and allowed by us,

James Bradshaw, }  
 Richard Hinde, } Auditors.

John Higgins, jun. Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Launcester.*

John Lodge Hubbersty, esq. - Recorder, but not a member of the select body.  
 Richard Johnson - - - - - Ironmonger.  
 Thomas Burrow - - - - - Merchant.  
 John Taylor Wilson - - - - - Attorney-at-Law.  
 Thomas Giles - - - - - Merchant.  
 John Park - - - - - Attorney-at-Law.  
 Samuel Gregson - - - - - Merchant.  
 Thomas Walling Salisbury - - Merchant.  
 John Bond - - - - - Merchant.  
 James Atkinson - - - - - Attorney-at-Law.  
 Thomas Bowes - - - - - Esquire.  
 James Barton Nottage - - - - Merchant.  
 Leonard Redmayne - - - - - Cabinet-maker and Upholsterer.  
 George Burrow - - - - - Merchant.  
 Christopher Johnson - - - - Surgeon.

16 February 1833.

John Higgins, jun.  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LAUNCESTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

No. 1.—Mrs. *Elizabeth Ackland*, formerly of St. Anthonie, London, widow, gave in her lifetime 40*l.* to be laid out by the mayor, aldermen and minister of the said borough for the time being for the benefit of the poor widows of St. Mary Magdalen, not receiving parish pay. For this sum a rent-charge of 40*s.* per annum was created by Vincent Darley, gent., her administrator, and is now secured on an estate called Lewarne, in the parish of Northhill, the property by purchase of Francis Hearle Rodd, esquire.

No. 2.—The Rev. *Charles Bedford*, by his will of this date, gave to the mayor of Launceston for the time being 100*l.*, to be invested on government or turnpike security, the interest to be thus applied: one half to the curate of Launceston, for preaching a sermon annually on Good Friday; the other half to poor widows of the said borough or parish.

*N. B.*—This 100*l.* was invested in two deeds-poll for 50*l.* each, on the Launceston turnpike, Nos. 40 and 71.

No. 3.—28 April 1788. Mrs. *Hannah Bedford*, by her will, of this date, gave to the mayor and corporation, and their successors for ever, 50*l.*, the interest to be paid and applied unto and amongst such eight poor widows of the parish and borough of Launceston aforesaid, equally between them, share and share alike, as they should think the greatest objects of charity. Invested in another deed-poll, No. 54.

No. 4.—3 February 1789. Mrs. *Mary Bedford*, by her will, of this date, gave a deed-poll of 50*l.* to the mayor and corporation, the interest to be paid to such and so many poor people as they might judge the greatest objects of charity.

This deed-poll is numbered 33.

No. 5.—18 June 1765. *Richard Welsh*, esq., by his will, of this date, gave to the mayor and aldermen 5*l.* per annum for ever, to be issuing and payable from the King's Arms Inn, in this borough, his property, to be applied yearly in placing out to some trade or business one or more poor girl or girls of the said borough, between the ages of 12 and 14 years (whose parents should not have parish pay).

This bequest, after being paid for some years, was discontinued as void under the statutes of mortmain; but in the year 1791, the sum of 50*l.* was paid to Stephen Spettigue, gent., the mayor, on account of it, who invested the same in the purchase of a deed-poll for that sum, No. 57.

No. 6.—1 May 1611. By an indenture of this date, made between Richard Connock, of Calstock, esq. of the first part, the then Bishop of Exeter, of the second part, and Richard Eastcott, then mayor of this borough, and the commonalty thereof, of the third part, an annual fee-farm rent of 54*s.* 8*d.* is secured to be paid to the said mayor and commonalty and their successors, from the small tithes of the parish of Boyton, of which sum 52*s.* per annum are directed to be distributed among the poor felons in the county gaol at Launceston, and the remaining sum of 2*s.* 8*d.* to the distributor of the same.

No. 7.—27 November 1640. *John Vigurs*, then of the city of Exeter, merchant, gave 12*d.* weekly to be distributed among the poor of this borough in bread; and by an indenture, of this date, this weekly sum was made payable to the mayor and commonalty of this borough for ever, and charged on a field called Eighteen Acres, part of the barton of Tettridge, in the parish of Werrington, in the county of Devon.

No. 8.—Certain fields at St. Leonard's, in the parish of Lawhitton, within this borough, commonly called the Lazar Ground, containing by admeasurement, A. R. P., are vested in the mayor and corporation for the benefit of lepers, if there be any within the borough, and for want of such, to be applied by them and their successors in pious uses.

The Charity No. 1 is annually distributed among the objects named in it, by the mayor for the time being, when the turnpike interest below is distributed. The rent is paid to Lady-day 1831, and distributed to Lady-day 1828.

The Charities 2, 3 and 4.—The turnpike interest has been in arrear, and whilst unpaid the poor were not paid; the funds of the turnpike having improved, the interest was paid in the last year to Midsummer 1825; and the several objects named in the wills have been complied with as such interest payments were made.

The Charity No. 5.—The interest is paid to the same period, and children are bound out from time to time when a sufficient sum is saved from the interest, which must be at least two years.

The Charity No. 6.—There are not any prisoners in the county gaol at Launceston, and therefore since Lady-day 1830, the incumbent of Boyton has refused payment of this.

The Charity No. 7.—This is distributed weekly by the clergyman of Launceston.

The Charity No. 8.—These fields are let at 20*l.* per annum, and the rent is applied amongst the poor, sometimes in money, at others in fuel, at others in aiding the clothing and other societies in the town for the benefit of the poor.

With respect to the other property:—

	£.	s.	d.
It consists of certain rents of assize, payable from the different lands in the borough held under the corporation, and sundry manorial rents, and producing, after allowance for land-tax, decayed rents, and rents in arrear -	69	-	-
There are also tolls due from the markets, payable to the corporation by their charter, which are let annually to the best bidder, and produced last year -	153	-	-
The produce of the town dung is also let in the same public manner, and produced last year -	13	-	-
There was formerly a yarn market in the town, whereof the site has been leased for a building lease; the reserved rent is -	22	-	-
	£.	257	- -

The corporation has a town prison for felons, another for debtors, a house for corporate purposes, public conduits and reservoirs, two assize halls, and two town clocks, and a public walk; all of which they have hitherto kept in repair.

This fund is liable to the following payments:

	£.	s.	d.
Fee to the mayor - - - - -	26	13	4
Recorder's fee - - - - -	3	6	8
Town clerk's fee - - - - -	1	6	8
Steward's salary - - - - -	5	-	-
Serjeants-at-mace - - - - -	6	-	-
Bailiff's wages - - - - -	3	-	-
To the mayor annually for the officers' liveries - - - - -	14	14	-
To the scavenger - - - - -	23	8	-
To the curate - - - - -	58	-	-
To the clerk - - - - -	8	-	-
Sexton's allowances - - - - -	4	13	6
To the organist - - - - -	30	-	-
To the superintendent of the clocks - - - - -	4	-	-
Fee-farm rent to the Crown - - - - -	8	5	4
Three constables' salary - - - - -	12	-	-
The town revenues are rated, and have hitherto paid, <i>communibus annis</i> - - - - -	36	-	-
Sacrament wine - - - - -	7	18	-
There is a deficit in the land-tax rate for the town, which the corporation have paid for many years - - - - -	9	15	6
Land-tax - - - - -	-	15	-
	£.	262	16 -

From this statement, it is obvious that the annual certain expenditure exceeds the receipt, without the slightest reference to the repairs of the buildings and other works before referred to.

	£.	s.	d.
The mayor's allowances are - - - - -	26	13	4
And for the cloaks and hats - - - - -	14	14	-
For his audit - - - - -	3	3	4
And for wine - - - - -	2	-	-
	£.	46	10 8
Out of this he pays for the cloaks and hats - - - - -	£. 18	11	-
To the serjeants per annum - - - - -	7	16	-
To the constables - - - - -	4	4	-
Sundry fees - - - - -	3	5	8
		33	16 8
Leaving for the expenses of his office - - - - -	£.	12	14 -

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In addition to the above funds, by a statute passed in the 17 Geo. 3, the aftermath of certain common lands in the borough, in which the freemen and their wives once had rights, was vested in the mayor and aldermen for the time being, and is by the Act declared to be applied "towards repairing the church, repairing and lighting the streets, or any other purpose, for the ornament of the town or convenience of the inhabitants."

Of this fund the annual income was 61 *l.*, but parts of the aftermath have been sold, and the monies vested in the funds in the name of the mayor and commonalty; and the sum now invested is 1,700 *l.*, the dividends whereof, as also the rents of the lands unsold and the rents prior to the sale, were always faithfully applied by the mayor and commonalty on some or other of the purposes specified in the Act; and the only sum charged for receipt and management of the fund is 1 *l.* 1 *s.* per annum.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Launceston.*

John Roe	- - - - -	Once in trade, but has retired many years, 1813.
Michael Frost	- - - - -	A Woollen Manufacturer.
Christopher Lethbridge	- - - - -	The Deputy Recorder, Attorney-at-Law.
Thomas Green	- - - - -	I am not aware that this gentleman was ever in any business.
John King Lethbridge	- - - - -	Attorney-at-Law, and now the Deputy Recorder, on which appointment he resigned his aldermanic gown.
Richard Ringdon Frost	- - - - -	By trade an Ironmonger.
Parr Cunningham Hockin	- - - - -	Attorney-at-Law.
Richard Penwarden	- - - - -	A Saddler and Currier.
Coryndon Rowe, M. D.	- - - - -	Now the Senior Alderman, and as such a magistrate.
Thomas Ching	- - - - -	A Druggist.
Philip Roe	- - - - -	Gentleman, formerly an Attorney-at-Law.

23 February 1833.

*John King Lethbridge*, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATION OF LEEDS.

##### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation have no charitable funds or other property whatever in their possession, order, or disposition, save a sum of money which has arisen by fines paid by gentlemen elected into corporate offices, and refusing to accept thereof, and also fines paid by members of the corporation on their resignation, pursuant to the bye-laws of the corporation.

*James Nicholson*, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Leeds.*

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS and TRADES.	Resigned or Dead.
John Hardy, esq.	Barrister-at-Law; Recorder.	
John Beckett, esq.	Banker	dead.
John Blayds, esq.	Banker	dead.
William Hey, esq.	Surgeon	dead.
Alexander Turner, esq.	Merchant	dead.
Whittel York, esq.	Merchant	dead.
Benjamin Gott, esq.	Merchant.	
John Brooke, esq.	Merchant, now retired from business.	
Thomas Skin, esq.	Merchant	resigned.
John Wilson, esq.	Merchant	resigned.
Thomas Tennant, esq.	Merchant, now retired from business.	
Richard Pullan, esq.	Merchant	resigned.
Charles Brown, esq.	Merchant, now retired from business.	
Henry Hall, esq.	Merchant, now retired from business.	
William Greenwood, esq.	Banker	dead.
William Prest, esq.	Merchant	resigned.
John Hill, esq.	Merchant	resigned.
George Banks, esq.	Merchant, now retired from business.	
Christopher Beckett, esq.	Banker.	
William Hey, esq.	Surgeon.	
Lepton Dobson, esq.	Merchant	resigned.
Benjamin Sadler, esq.	Merchant.	
Edward Brooke, esq.	Merchant	dead.
Thomas Beckett, esq.	Merchant, now retired from business.	
Thomas Blayds, esq.	Banker.	
Ralph Mackland, esq.	Not in business.	
Robert William Disney Thorp, esq.	Doctor of Medicine.	
Charles Milner, esq.	Barrister-at-Law; Deputy Recorder.	



## CORPORATION OF LEICESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Nature of the Funds.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which given.	Mode in which they are now Distributed or Applied.
A rent-charge of 2 l. per annum, out of Rowlatt's Close; the gift of Mrs. Twigden.	By deed - - -	-- To 3 poor widows of St. John's Hospital, 10 s. each, to buy gowns, and 10 s. amongst the 6 widows for coals.	-- As directed by the deed, namely, for gowns and coals.
Land in the lordship of Enderby, in the county of Leicester, now let for 65 l. per annum; the gift of Mr. Bent.	-- By the will of Alderman Bent, once mayor of the borough, dated in 1703.	-- To support 4 poor freemen's widows, in a hospital called Bent's Hospital.	-- In support of 4 widows in this hospital, and a nurse, at an increase of pay, allowed by the state of the funds.
A rent-charge of 3 l. issuing out of the Tippetts, in St. Mary's parish; being Mr. Moreton's gift.	-- By will of Mr. William Moreton (one of the aldermen of the borough), dated 17th August 1620.	-- To 6 widows in St. John's Hospital, Leicester, 18 s., to buy them coals; and 2 l. 2 s. to 7 poor housekeepers, freemen of the borough, 6 s. each, to buy coals.	-- The 18 s. are paid to the widows of St. John's, and the residue is distributed amongst the poor, as part of the money called Wood and Coal-money, annually.
A rent-charge of 3 l. out of the Duck Holmes, in St. Mary's parish; Mr. Ward's gift.	-- By Mrs. Elizabeth Ward (daughter of Alderman William Moreton), by deed, dated 18th June 1628.	-- To 3 widows of St. John's Hospital, alternately 10 s. each, to buy gowns; for coals for them all, 10 s. To 2 almswomen in Trinity Hospital, 10 s.; and to the common box there, 10 s.	As directed by the deed.
A rent-charge of 12 l. out of the Leroes, in St. Margaret's parish; the gift of Mr. William Billers.	-- Given by Mr. William Billers, one of the aldermen of the borough.	-- To uses for the benefit of 2 widows in Trinity Hospital, and a gown to one annually, and the remainder to buy oatmeal for the poor.	As directed by the will.
A rent-charge of 10 l. per annum, out of divers premises in Leicester; called Blunt's gift.	-- By the will of Mr. Thomas Blunt, dated 13th January 1663.	-- To buy 40 pairs of shoes for the poor of Trinity Hospital, annually, and widows of St. John's, on St. Thomas's-day; and certain small sums to be paid to the mayor and town clerk, &c.	As directed by the will.
A rent-charge of 2 l. 10 s. per annum, out of a house in Silver-street; the gift of Mr. Bent.	-- By the will of Mr. George Bent (one of the aldermen), dated in or about 1735.	-- To be distributed amongst the poor widows of St. John's Hospital.	As directed by the will.
A gift or rent-charge of 10 l. out of the honor of Leicester, by the hands of the Receiver-general of His Majesty's duchy of Lancaster.	-- By the Crown, out of the revenues of the duchy of Lancaster, originally granted by Queen Elizabeth.	-- For better maintaining the under-usur of the free grammar-school.	-- Paid to the master of the free grammar-school.
An annuity or rent-charge of 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. out of the manor of Thedingworth; the gift of Sir Ralph Rowlatt.	By Sir Ralph Rowlatt	-- For the under usur of the grammar-school.	-- Paid to the master of the free grammar-school.
An annuity of 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. out of a close in Abbeygate.	-- By Mr. William Norrice (one of the aldermen).	-- For the head usur of the grammar-school.	Paid as above.
An annuity of 1 l. payable out of the Water-lags; the gift of Thomas Clarke.	-- By Mr. Thomas Clarke (one of the aldermen).	-- For the under usur of the grammar-school.	Paid as above.

Nature of the Funds.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which given.	Mode in which they are now Distributed or Applied.
A messuage and land at Whetstone, in Leicestershire, bought by the corporation with the money bequeathed by Christopher Tamworth, esq., now let at 60 <i>l.</i> per annum.	- - By the will of Mr. Christopher Tamworth, he gave 200 marks to the corporation to buy lands of the yearly value of 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> The corporation bought land at Whetstone, which now lets for 60 <i>l.</i> per annum.	- - To pay to some one in holy orders, to read Divine service twice a day in St. Martin's Church on work-days, not to be attached to the vicarage of St. Martin's, but the clergyman to be chosen by the mayor and aldermen.	- - Now always paid to the vicar of St. Martin's parish, who performs Divine service in the week-day at stated times, but not daily.
Land in Leicester Forest, given by King Charles the First for the poor of Leicester, let at 52 <i>l.</i> per annum.	- - By King Charles the First, of ever blessed memory.	- - To the poor of the corporation (freemen) to buy them wood or coal.	- - It is distributed annually by the aldermen of wards, with other monies, and is called the Wood and Coal-money.
An annuity or rent-charge of 10 <i>l.</i> , payable out of the manor of Cotes Deval; the gift of Mr. Poultney.	- - By the will of John Poultney, esq., who died on 15th May 1637.	- - To be distributed by the mayor and justices, at their discretion, amongst the poor of the different parishes in Leicester.	- - This is paid to the clerks of the different parishes on St. Thomas's-day, in certain proportions, to be given to the poor.
Land at Bushby, in Leicestershire, now let at 70 <i>l.</i> per annum; the gift of Mr. Nidd.	- - Mr. Richard Nidd, of the city of London, by his will, dated 31st July 1617, gave 300 <i>l.</i> to the corporation, to be laid out in land of the yearly value of 15 <i>l.</i> The corporation purchased the estate at Bushby, which now lets for 70 <i>l.</i> per ann.	- - For the poor of Mountsorrel, where the testator was born.	- - The whole rent is paid over to the parish officers of Mountsorrel, who distribute it, or it is supposed do so, amongst the poor.
An annuity or rent-charge of 9 <i>l.</i> per annum, out of the manor of Asterby, in Lincolnshire; the gift of Mr. Acham.	- - By the will of Mr. Anthony Acham, of Holborn, London.	- - To be given in bread to the poor of Leicester, at the discretion of the corporation, viz. 30 <i>s.</i> on the last Sunday of every alternate month.	- - It is now given in fourpenny loaves every other month, as directed by the will, and is sent to the churchwardens for distribution.
An annuity or rent-charge of 2 <i>l.</i> , out of a house in St. Martin's parish; the gift of Mr. Hugh Botham.	- - By the will of Mr. Hugh Botham.	- - To be distributed to the parishes of St. Martin, St. Margaret and St. Mary, equally.	- - This is paid to the parish clerks of each of the parishes, for the poor.
Land at Allextion, now let for 32 <i>l.</i> per annum; the gift of Mr. Hayne.	- - By the will of Mr. Thomas Hayne, of the parish of Christchurch, London, he gave to the corporation 400 <i>l.</i> , to be bestowed on lands or houses near Leicester, of the yearly value of 24 <i>l.</i> The corporation bought the land at Allextion, which now lets for 32 <i>l.</i> per ann.	- - To pay a schoolmaster at Thrussington to teach 10 poor children there, 6 <i>l.</i> per annum; to 2 scholars living and studying in Lincoln College, Oxford, 6 <i>l.</i> yearly; to buy 3 Bibles yearly, 20 <i>s.</i> , to be given in Leicester 4 years, and Thrussington 1 year; 20 <i>s.</i> for a sermon yearly; and the remainder to the poor of Leicester, at the discretion of the mayor, aldermen and recorder.	- - The rent is now distributed as the will directs, except that when no scholars claim the exhibition-money, it is kept in hand until some one who may be qualified does claim; and as to the residue of the rent, it is paid thus: 10 <i>l.</i> of it is distributed as part of the wood and coal-money, and the remainder is given away in coals to the poor of the town at other times.
Houses in Causeway-lane, Leicester, built by 50 <i>l.</i> given by Mr. Cammack, and 115 <i>l.</i> received for the sale of St. John's Hospital garden.	- - Purchased and built with monies belonging to St. John's Hospital.	- - Towards the maintenance of the poor widows in St. John's Hospital.	- - In the maintenance of the widows of St. John's Hospital.
Estates at Barwell, Earl Shilton, Stretton and Bushby, of the yearly value of 517 <i>l.</i> ; and money in the funds, yielding an income of 214 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>	- - By the gift of Alderman Gabriel Newton, by deeds of settlement made in the year 1760, and also by his will, dated 21st July 1761.	- - To pay certain annual sums towards the maintenance of schools at Bedford, Buckingham, Huntingdon, Hertford, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, St. Neots, Earl Shilton and Barwell; and the residue to be employed in supporting and extending a school at Leicester, established by Alderman Newton, in which 35 boys were then educated and clothed, and in endowing schools in other places, should the income be adequate.	- - In payment of the annual sums directed by the trust-deed, to the places therein mentioned, and in maintaining a school at Leicester, in which 100 boys are now clothed and educated; and in paying annual sums to Hinckley, Lutterworth, Claybrook and Lubenham, for the establishment and support of schools at those places, established out of the surplus rents by the corporation.

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Nature of the Funds.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which given.	Made in which they are now Distributed or Applied.
An estate at Cadeby, in Leicestershire, of the annual value of 95 <i>l.</i> ; and money in the funds, yielding an annual income of 63 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i>	- - By gift of Alderman Gabriel Newton, settled by deed, dated 27th August 1761.	- - To pay 26 <i>l.</i> a year to Northampton corporation, to establish a school there, and the residue towards apprenticing poor children of the town of Leicester.	- - As directed by the trust-deed, in all respects.
Five-sevenths of the produce of some land at Leicester, sold under the directions of the Court of Chancery, but not yet in hand for the purposes of the trust, owing to another suit being instituted, which is now pending.	- - Mr. Elkington, by his will, dated 29th May 1607, gave two sums, of 50 <i>l.</i> each, to the corporation, upon certain trusts, and these sums, with other monies belonging to the corporation, were laid out in the purchase of a close at Leicester, which close has since been sold, and produced upwards of 3,000 <i>l.</i> , 5-7ths of which have been decreed to be for the purposes of the charity.	- - The trust was to lend out the principal in loans of 10 <i>l.</i> to poor artificers of Leicester and Lutterworth, for one year, at interest, at five per cent., and to apply the produce for the poor of St. Martin's, Leicester, and Lutterworth, and a certain sum to the town clerk for preparing the bonds.	- - This trust fund is at present not applied at all, on account of a Chancery suit on the subject against the corporation being still pending; but the decree of the court in the former suit directed that it should be lent out in loans of 50 <i>l.</i> , for 3 years, at 3 per cent., and the produce to be for the poor of Lutterworth and St. Martin's, and 5 <i>l.</i> to the town clerk.
Money amounting to 15,000 <i>l.</i> and upwards.	- - From the estates of Sir Thomas White, given to the corporation of Coventry some time before his death, which happened in 1566, upon trust every fifth year to pay a certain proportion to the corporation of Leicester.	- - To be lent out in loans of 40 <i>l.</i> and 50 <i>l.</i> each, to tradesmen, free burgesses of Leicester, for 9 years, without interest, on sufficient security.	- - It is now lent out in loans of 100 <i>l.</i> , under a decree or order of the Court of Chancery, made on the application of the corporation, on account of the funds being so much increased, and lent for 9 years, without interest, to tradesmen resident in Leicester, being free burgesses of the town.
<i>l.</i> 200. to be laid out in the funds, paid to the corporation in the year 1830.	- - Given by the will of Alderman Thomas Reid, dated 30th June 1821.	- - The income to be applied in rewarding boys put out apprentice from Alderman Newton's school, if they conduct themselves well.	- - It has not yet been paid to any one.

Besides the above charitable funds in the order and disposition of the corporation of Leicester, the corporation pay to certain charitable uses upwards of 200 *l.* per annum, which does not arise from, nor is issuing out of, any specific property, but is in the nature of a charge upon the general revenues of the corporation, as the trustees originally appointed for such purposes, and it is presumed that when they accepted the trust they had funds adequate to the charge upon them placed in their hands.

11 March 1833.

(signed)

Thomas Burbidge, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Leicester.*

## MAYORS:

1813	Sir William Walker, knight	-	-	-	Merchant.
1814	Michael Miles	-	-	-	Coachmaker.
1815	John Mansfield	-	-	-	Banker.
1816	Thomas Miller	-	-	-	Banker and Brewer.
1817	John Gregory	-	-	-	Farmer and Grazier.
1818	James Bankart	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1819	Robert Johnson	-	-	-	Hosier.
1820	Isaac Lovell	-	-	-	Draper.
1821	George Ireland	-	-	-	Hosier.
1822	Thomas Cook	-	-	-	Glover.
1823	Thomas Yates	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1824	Charles Coleman	-	-	-	Hosier.
1825	Thomas Marston	-	-	-	Tanner.
1826	Henry Wood	-	-	-	Hosier.
1827	Mansfield Gregory	-	-	-	Hosier.
1828	James Rawson	-	-	-	Hosier.
1829	Isaac Lovell	-	-	-	Draper.
1830	John Brown	-	-	-	Maltster.
1831	George Brushfield Hodges	-	-	-	Draper.
1832	Thomas Marston	-	-	-	Tanner.

RECORDER.—Edward Goulburn - - Serjeant-at-Law.

(signed) *Thomas Burbidge*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LEOMINSTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE only sum in the disposition of this corporation arises from lands near the borough, amounting to 10 *l.* 10 *s.*, and the same is laid out in bread, and distributed to the poor at or about Christmas, yearly.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Leominster.*

T. John Woodhouse, esq.	-	Bailiff & Merchant.	Henry Gatehouse	-	-	Gentleman.
William Budd Tanner	-	Solicitor	Thomas Morris	-	-	Solicitor.
Francis Jenks Burlton	-	Stationer	Richard Burltor	-	-	Gentleman.
William Preece	-	Solicitor	James Thomas Woodhouse	-	-	Solicitor.
Thomas Coleman	-	Gent., Town Clerk.	Hugh A. Lewes	-	-	Surgeon.
Edward Woodhouse	-	Gentleman.	Henry Milmes	-	-	Solicitor.
William Vale	-	Gentleman.	Francis Woodhouse	-	-	Merchant.
Philip Derry	-	Gentleman.	The Rev. Dr. Taylor	-	-	D.D.
Edward Evans	-	Gent., Recorder.	Bonham Caldwell	-	-	Gentleman.
Thomas Davies	-	Currier.	John Caswell Davies	-	-	Farmer.
John Meredith	-	Druggist.	William Newman	-	-	Mercer.

18 February 1833.

(signed) *Thomas Coleman*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LICHFIELD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other PROPERTY.	The Manner in which the same has been Acquired.	THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE SAME WERE GIVEN.	The Mode in which they are Distributed and Applied.	Gross Annual Income.	Names of Founders.
Lands - - -	By feoffment	- - Twenty shillings for two sermons, one of them at the church of St. Mary, in the said city, the first Sunday after New Year's-day, and the other at the church of St. Chad, in the said city, upon Sunday next after Easter; 2 s. thereof to the bailiffs of the said city, for letting the lands, and the residue in cloth, for making waistcoats for poor widows inhabiting in the said city.	- - As directed by the founder, except gowns instead of waistcoats, and some money in addition.	£. s. d. 23 6 -	Humphrey Mathew.
Personal estate - Messuages, buildings and lands.	Not known - By will -	The poor of the city of Lichfield - - - - - - Such poor people of the said city as in the discretion of the said bailiffs shall stand in need thereof.	In blankets - - - - In money, partly at Christmas and throughout the year, chiefly in 10 s. each.	2 - - 211 - 8	Elias Ashmole. Samuel Mousley.
Same - - -	By will -	- - To be laid out in bread, to be distributed weekly to or among the poor of St. Mary, in the said city.	In blankets - -	4 - -	John Allington.
Real and personal property.	- - By conveyance.	- - As to one moiety of the real and personal estates, the parishioners residing in the parish of St. Michael, in the said city, at the discretion of the said bailiffs and citizens; and as to the other moiety thereof, the parishioners of the parish of St. Chad, in the said city.	- - Premiums with poor apprentices.	32 16 -	Walter Chetwynd and Richard Plumer.
Land - - -	Will -	- - To the minister of St. Mary, Lichfield, 13 s. 4 d. for two sermons on Care Sunday and Palm Sunday, and the remainder to such poor persons as should be present at them.	- - 13 s. 4 d. for the two sermons, and the remainder in blankets to poor persons.	8 - -	William Hawkes.
Messuages -	Will -	- - As to 3 l. thereof, to the poor inhabitants of Stow-street, in the said city; and as to the remaining 3 l. thereof, to other poor of the said city, to be distributed in bread weekly.	In bread - -	6 - -	John Nevill.
A messuage -	Will -	Teaching poor children to spell and read - - - -	- - Subscription to the Boys' school.	9 - -	Humphrey Terrick.
Lands - - -	Will -	Four new cloth gowns for women, ready made up - - - -	Woollen gowns -	3 - -	George Collins.
Messuages and lands -	Will -	- - Twenty-eight poor men and ten poor widows, inhabitants of the said city, to each a wainload of coals and 12 d., and a gown of cloth and caps, and money of the value of the said caps to buy cloth for the said poor widows for their head clothes.	- - Hats, coats and money to men, and gowns to caps and money to women.	189 13 6	William Finney.
Personal estate, 160 l.	Deed -	- - To be lent, 40 l. to the founder's nephew, William Cauldwell the younger, clothier, for five years, if he should so long live, and so from five years to five years, so long as he should be dwelling in Burton-upon-Trent; and after his decease and the heirs male of his body, and upon like condition and in default of their dwelling in Burton aforesaid, then the said 40 l. to be lent to some clothier, of the founder's name and kin (if any), and in default of such clothier there of his name, then the same 40 l. from five years to five years, to be lent to such clothiers aforesaid, if the same should so long live; and six score pounds, residue thereof, to be lent to four such honest persons qualified as aforesaid, and so on for another five years unto 20 such persons and qualified as aforesaid, of smaller wealth; or else to other handicraftsmen inhabiting there, in the sum of 6 l. each, and 20 persons at five years at a time for ever.	- - Lent to five persons as directed, the sums being too small in 20 parts, and such security doubtful.	- -	Richard Cauldwell.
Personal estate, 100 l.	- - Supposed value of the ruins of the Minster taken possession of.	To be distributed amongst the poor of the three parishes of the city of Lichfield.	£. 2 to St. Mary £. 1 10 s. to St. Chad. £. 1 10 s. to St. Michael	£. 5 - -	Not known.
Real estate -	By will -	- - A certain proportion of the rents and profits to be paid to the head magistrate, and by him distributed to the poor.	- - Distributed amongst the poor.	- - Very uncertain and irregular.	Roger Hinton.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Lichfield.*

Years.	NAMES.	Trades or Professions.	Years.	NAMES.	Trades or Professions.
1813	Thomas Webb Greene - George Dodson -	Esquire. Wine Merchant.	1823	William Gill - - George Dodson - -	Attorney-at-Law. Wine Merchant.
1814	John Philip Dyott - John Standly -	Attorney-at-Law. Gentleman.	1824	John Philip Dyott - John Power - -	Attorney-at-Law. Doctor of Physic.
1815	William Morgan - James Palmer -	Bookseller. Banker.	1825	William Morgan - Thomas George Lomax -	Bookseller. Bookseller.
1816	George Dodson - Francis Sacheverel Darwin	Wine Merchant. Doctor of Physic.	1826	George Dodson - Charles Edward Stringer -	Wine Merchant. Painter.
1817	John Standly - William Snape -	Gentleman. Mercer.	1827	John Standly - Richard Green -	Gentleman. Banker.
1818	James Palmer - William Guest Bird -	Banker. Esquire.	1828	William Guest Bird - William Stripling -	Esquire. Goldsmith.
1819	Francis Sacheverel Darwin Arthur Hinckley -	Doctor of Physic. - - Esquire, and Clerk of Peace for county of Stafford.	1829	Thomas Stripling - Richard Webster -	Gentleman. Wine Merchant.
1820	Thomas Walton - James Eborall -	Chemist. Mercer.	1830	Joseph Marshall - Edward Bond -	Mercer. Attorney-at-Law.
1821	John Webster - Thomas Stripling -	Wine Merchant. Gentleman.	1831	Charles Edward Stringer John Philip Dyott -	Painter. Attorney-at-Law.
1822	Thomas Webb Greene - Joseph Marshall -	Esquire. Mercer.	1832	Thomas George Lomax - George Dodson -	Bookseller. Wine Merchant.

By the word "magistrate," I conclude, justice of the peace is intended, but they are not synonymous terms. All persons admitted into this corporation are termed in the enrolment "magistrates."

The persons whose names are connected with the respective year in the above return, were appointed bailiffs and justices of the peace for that year, and held the office of justice of the peace for the succeeding year.

Theophilus Levett, esq., has held the office of recorder and justice of the peace from the year 1813; and Thomas Jervis, esq., King's counsel, has held the office of steward and justice of the peace from the year 1813.

Lichfield, 18 February 1833.

Charles Simpson, Town Clerk.

## BOROUGH OF BOSTON:—COUNTY OF LINCOLN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

KING Henry 8 incorporated the borough of Boston in the county of Lincoln, and endowed it with certain privileges and immunities.

King Philip and Queen Mary, "In consideration of the great charges and expenses which the mayor and burgesses of the said borough daily and continually sustain in and about the reparation of the bridge and port there, and to the end that the said mayor and burgesses might be the better enabled to support the charges and expenses of the repairs and maintenance of the said bridge and port," by charter dated the 6th January, in the first and second years of their reign, granted to the said mayor and burgesses and their successors for ever 46 messuages or tenements, and 226 acres of land in the several parishes of Boston, Skirbeck, Donington, Quadring, Wyberton, Wrangle, Walcot, and Gosberton, in the said county of Lincoln, "for the finding, maintaining and establishing for ever a free grammar-school for the education and instruction of boys and youth in grammar; and also for the finding two presbyters for the celebration of Divine service in the parish church of Boston aforesaid, and for four poor inhabitants of the borough aforesaid to pray there for ever for the good and prosperous state of us whilst we live, and after our decease for the souls of us and our ancestors."

The charter then directs "that the said mayor and burgesses and their successors shall lay out, expend and convert all the issues, rents and profits from time to time coming from the messuages, cottages, lands, tenements and possessions aforesaid above granted for the maintenance of a schoolmaster and usher of the school aforesaid, and of the chaplains and poor men aforesaid, and other necessary things only touching and concerning the said borough school, chaplains and poor men aforesaid, and the support and maintenance of the same, and not in any other manner nor to any other uses or intents."

The following are part of the charitable funds in the possession, order and disposition of the mayor and burgesses. For other part, *vide* p. 16.

Mr. *Henry Fox*, alderman, gave several lands to the mayor and burgesses; he also gave lands for the maintenance of four beadsmen.

Mrs. *Carr* gave to the mayor and burgesses lands for the maintenance of two beadsmen, and also 20s. a year for the use of the poor.

Mr. *Richard Briggs*, alderman, gave to the mayor and burgesses lands for the maintenance of four beadsmen.

The said *Richard Briggs* gave 4*l.* a year, and Mr. *Thomas Margery* gave 5*l.* a year, and Mr. *Hubbard* gave 2*l.* a year to the poor, to be laid out in bread, and distributed on Sundays, being vested in the mayor and burgesses.

*Roger Manners*, of the city of Lincoln, esq., gave to the mayor and burgesses 3*l.* a year; Mr. *William Jenkinson*, alderman, gave 5*l.* a year, and Mr. *Clement Toynton*, alderman, gave lands in Wyberton to the use of the poor.

The said *Clement Toynton* gave to the mayor and burgesses 40*l.*, Mr. *Israel Jackson*, alderman, 20*l.*, and *Daniel Rhodes*, esq., 10*l.*, to be lent out to the poor freemen gratis.

[This money is lent to the poor freemen on bond.]

Mr. *William Jefferey*, alderman, gave to the mayor and burgesses 3*l.* a year, to be distributed in coals to the poor on St. Thomas's-day.

Mrs. *Elizabeth Doughty* gave to the mayor and burgesses 20*l.*, the interest to be given yearly to two poor women for coals on St. Stephen's-day.

Mr. *Benjamin Barlow*, alderman, gave to the mayor and burgesses 16*s.* yearly for the use of the poor.

[The above gifts are taken from a book in the possession of the lecturer, by whom the same are publicly read, in the church after Divine service, on the election of every new mayor, which takes place on the 25th March annually. The original documents have been searched for amongst the corporation records for the particulars of the gifts, but they cannot be found.]

The estates held by the mayor and burgesses under the above-named charter of King Philip and Queen Mary consist at the present day (including the lands given by will as aforesaid, and the allotments set out to the mayor and burgesses in respect thereof under Acts of Parliament for the inclosure of the East and West Fens in the county of Lincoln) of 19 messuages, and 511 A. 1 R. 21 P. of land, the yearly rental of which, amounting to 2,131*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*, is received by an officer chosen annually by the corporation from their own body, called the erection bailiff; and the same, together with the interest of the monies given by will as aforesaid, are distributed and applied by him as follows:

ANNUAL SALARIES, and certain other Annual Expenses payable to Officers, &c.

To whom Payable, and Station of Office.	When Payable.	Amount.	On what Account.
To the mayor - - -	At Christmas -	£. s. d. 3 - -	-- Payable out of lands in Fishtoft, to be laid out in coals.
To the ditto - - -	- ditto - -	- 16 -	-- Interest of a legacy given by Mr. Barlow, to be laid out in bread.
To the ditto - - -	- ditto - -	- 16 -	-- Interest of a legacy given by Mrs. Doughty, to be laid out in coals for two poor women.
To the ditto - - -	- ditto - -	5 - -	-- For coals given by the heirs of Mr. Saul, payable out of a close called Broadfield.
To the vicar - - -	- - Midsummer, Michaelmas, Christmas, & Lady-day.	65 6 8	-- A year's salary, payable out of the impropriate tithes.
To the ditto - - -	- - ditto - -	200 - -	A year's salary.
To the lecturer - -	- - ditto - -	210 - -	A year's salary.
To the schoolmaster -	- - Lady-day and Michaelmas.	160 - -	A year's salary.
To the - ditto - - -	- ditto - -	60 - -	For an usher.
To the four King's beadsmen	- 11 December -	3 4 -	For gowns.
To the - - ditto -	- Weekly, at 5/ each	52 - -	Their salary.
To the - - ditto -	- 25 December -	- 5 4	For beef.
To the ten other beadsmen	- Weekly, at 2/6 each	65 - -	Their salary.
To the - - ditto -	- 5 August -	8 - -	For gowns.
To the poor of Fishtoft -	- 29 September -	- 10 -	-- Payable out of lands in Fishtoft.
To the poor of Benington -	- Plough Monday	- 10 -	-- Payable out of lands in Benington.

To whom Payable, and Station of Office.	When Payable.	Amount.	On what Account.
		£. s. d.	
To the poor of Skirbeck - -	25 December -	- 16 4	For bread.
To the churchwardens of Boston -	- ditto -	8 - -	-- An out-rent for land in Wrangle.
To the lords of the manor of Wrangle.	29 September -	1 3 3½	-- A cullier rent for land in Gosberton, 3 d. An out-rent for land in Gosberton, 4 s. 6 d., and Donington, 9 s. 6 d.
To the lord of the soke of Kirton -	- ditto -	- 14 3	-- An out-rent for land in Fishtoft, 6 d., and in Benington, 4½ d.
To the lord of the manor of Fishtoft.	- ditto -	- - 10½	-- An out-rent in Benington, 6½ d., and in Skirbeck, 8 s. 2½ d.
To the lady of the manor of Skirbeck.	- ditto -	- 8 9½	An out-rent in Multon Hall.
To the master and fellows of Magdalen College.	- ditto -	- 5 -	
To the erection bailiff - -	1 May -	20 - -	A year's salary.
To the erection bailiff - -	- - -	3 3 -	-- For refreshment for the tenants on rent days.
To John Sardamore, esq. -	- - -	- - 4	-- An out-rent for land in Donington.
To the heirs of Lord Tyrconnel -	- - -	- - 1½	-- A cullier rent for land in Wrangle.
To the town clerk - - -	8 June and 8 Dec.	40 - -	Part of his salary.
To the churchwardens of Otley	10 December -	2 - -	-- Payable out of a close called Broadfield.
To the churchwardens of Burghley -	- ditto -	2 - -	- - Ditto - - ditto.
To the churchwardens of Halton -	Easter -	1 - -	- - Ditto - - ditto.
To Mr. P. Curtois, land-agent to the corporation.	Christmas -	10 - -	Part of his salary.
To Mr. J. Pacey, surveyor to the corporation.	1 January -	20 - -	- - Ditto.
To the officiating minister of the Chapel of Ease.	11 Oct. and 6 April	100 - -	A year's stipend *.
To the County Fire Office -	- - -	4 5 6	For insurance.
To the sexton - - -	Michaelmas -	- 10 -	-- For cleaning the leads of the chancel and the pavement thereof.
To the chamberlain - - -	- - -	350 - -	-- A year's interest on money borrowed for erecting iron bridge.
		£. 1,398 15 5½	

\* In the year the parish church being considered too small for the accommodation of the public, a Chapel of Ease was erected by voluntary contribution, and the Bishop refusing to consecrate it without a stipend, the mayor and burgesses endowed it with 100 l. per annum.

## PENSIONS.

To the late schoolmaster, 6th October, 6th January, 6th April, and 6th July, 80 l.

## LAND TAX, at 4 s. in the Pound.

	Quarterly Payment.	Annual Payment.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Donington - - - - -	- 16 6	3 6 -
Wyberton - - - - -	1 2 6½	4 10 2
Wrangle - - - - -	1 16 -	7 4 -
Benington - - - - -	- 10 9	2 3 -
Fishtoft - - - - -	1 - -	4 - -
Skirbeck - - - - -	6 11 3½	26 5 2
Algarkirke - - - - -	- 9 6	1 18 -
£.	12 6 7	49 6 4



## MONEY BORROWED ON BOND:

SUMS.	Of Whom, and at the Rate per Cent. per Annum.	Interest per Cent. per Annum.	When Payable.
£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
1,000 - -	The Rev. John Caparn, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	45 - -	11 Oct. and 6 April.
800 - -	Mrs. Sarah Hodgson, ditto - - -	36 - -	12 Oct. and 6 April.
£.1,800. - -		£. 81 - -	

## GENERAL STATEMENT:

Receipts:	£. s. d.	Disbursements:	£. s. d.
Rents of estates, &c. - -	2,131 12 6	Annual salaries, &c. - -	1,398 15 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
		Pensions - - - -	80 - -
		Land-tax - - - -	49 6 4
		Interest on money borrowed	81 - -
£.	2,131 12 6	£.	1,609 1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$

To the above amount of disbursements must be added, for repairs and other contingent expenses, taking the average of seven years ending 1st May 1832, 116 *l.* 15 *s.* 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.*

*N. B.*—The amount expended by the erection bailiff, for repairs, &c. for the year ending 1st May 1832, was 165 *l.* 12 *s.* 6 *d.*

This officer's accounts are examined and allowed by the Hall, at their annual audit

King Henry 8, by charter dated 14th May, in the 37th year of his reign, granted to the mayor and burgesses (amongst other things) a licence to purchase, sell and exchange lands, &c., and in pursuance of such licence, they have from time to time purchased property of different individuals; and some time after they were incorporated, they purchased estates of the Crown, the purchase-money whereof, in those days, amounted to 1,600 *l.*

The estates so purchased consist at the present day (including the allotments set out to the mayor and burgesses in respect thereof, by Acts of Parliament, for the inclosure of the East and West Fens in the county of Lincoln,) of 25 messuages and other buildings, and 1,025 A. 1 R. 27 P. of land in the several parishes of Boston, Skirbeck, Wyberton, Wrangle and Fishtoft aforesaid, the annual rental of which is 3,595 *l.* 3 *s.* 6 *d.*

The mayor and burgesses have also out at interest, on shares purchased by them in turnpike and other trusts, 3,600 *l.*, the interest whereof, 172 *l.* 2 *s.*, is received annually.

There is also a debt of 7,000 *l.* remaining due from the erection bailiff, to defray the proportion charged upon his funds for erecting a new iron bridge within the borough, the interest of which, 350 *l.*, is also received annually.

The mayor and burgesses have also the order and disposition of the following gifts:

Mr. *Thomas Margery*, alderman, gave 5 *l.* a year to the mayor and burgesses for the vicar for ever.

Mr. *Peter Bird*, alderman, gave to the mayor and burgesses, 40 *l.*, and Mr. *Thomas Morley*, 20 *l.*, the interest to be distributed in coals to the poor, on St. Thomas's-day.

Mr. *Richard Calthrop*, alderman, gave to the mayor and burgesses 25 *l.*, the interest to be given to the poor in coals.

Mr. *John Brown*, wine merchant, gave to the mayor and burgesses 300 *l.* to four poor widows or housekeepers, on the 25th December, yearly, to be nominated by his daughter and her heirs, or in default, by the mayor, alderman and minister.

Mrs. *Faulkner* gave 400 *l.* to the mayor and burgesses, the interest to be paid to the vicar and lecturer for ever.

*E*— and *L*— *Close* gave 500 *l.* now vested in the mayor and burgesses, the interest thereof to be equally divided between five widows or maids who have lived well in this borough.

[These gifts are likewise taken from the book in the possession of the lecturer, as mentioned before in p. 14; the original documents containing which have also been searched for, without success.]

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The rents and interest of the above estates, monies, &c. are received by another officer, chosen annually by the corporation from their own body, called the Chamberlain, and the same are applied and distributed by him as follow :

## MONEY BORROWED ON BOND.

Sums Advanced.	Of whom, and the Rate per Cent. per Annum.	Interest, per Annum.	When Payable.
£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
400 - -	-- The vicar and lecturer of Boston, at 5 per cent.	20 - -	19 October (a).
500 - -	E. and L. Close, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ditto - - -	22 10 -	14 January (a).
200 - -	-- The executors of the late Henry Hare Hart, esq. ditto.	9 - -	22 June and Dec. (b).
100 - -	Ditto - ditto - - - - -	4 10 -	22 June (b).
250 - -	-- Mrs. Mary Oliver, late N. C. Casswell, of Aslackby, ditto.	11 5 -	5 April & 10 October.
400 - -	-- Dr. Woodhouse, trust-money under the will of Mrs. Belgrace, ditto.	18 - -	4 August.
100 - -	Mrs. Ann Knight, ditto - - - -	4 10 -	1 June.
170 - -	Mrs. Martha Thorney, ditto - - -	7 13 -	27 June & December.
220 - -	Mr. Joseph Wilkinson, 5 per cent. - -	11 - -	14 Feb. & August.
1,200 - -	Mrs. Elizabeth Wayet, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ditto - -	54 - -	1 Sept. & March.
1,500 - -	Mr. John Saul Byron, ditto - - -	67 10 -	- - Ditto.
440 - -	-- The Rev. Richard Wright and Charles Allenby Walton, trust-money under the will of Mrs. Allenby, ditto.	19 16 -	11 October & April.
500 - -	Mr. J. S. Bailey, ditto - - - -	22 10 -	11 October & April.
500 - -	Ditto - ditto - - - - -	22 10 -	- - Ditto.
600 - -	Mrs. Rebecca Brown, ditto - - -	27 - -	1 November & May.
2,000 - -	Lieut. Col. Rogers, ditto - - - -	90 - -	30 August & February.
100 - -	The Rev. H. B. Pacey, D.D., ditto - -	4 10 -	11 October & April.
1,000 - -	Mrs. Hodgson's executors, ditto - -	45 - -	27 June & December.
1,200 - -	Miss Bridget Yerburch's ditto, 4 per cent.	48 - -	5 July & January.
600 - -	The Rev. J. Caparn, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ditto - - -	27 - -	11 October and April.
500 - -	Mr. J. S. Bailey, ditto - - - -	22 10 -	30 October and May.
400 - -	-- The Rev. B. Goe and other trustees of the Blue Coat School charity, ditto.	18 - -	2 December & June.
700 - -	-- J. S. Baily, jun. and H. Smith, trustees under the will of A. Boyall, ditto.	31 10 -	11 Oct. and 6 April.
500 - -	Mr. John Sturdy, ditto - - - -	22 10 -	19 January and July.
14,080 - -	£.	630 14 -	

(a) Left to the vicar and lecturer for ever, by Mrs. Mary Falkner. Sarah Bothamley, Dorothy Limbird, Mary Field, Ann Morton and Hannah Burden receive the interest.

(b) Loughton's charity.

## ANNUAL SALARIES and certain other Annual Expenses payable to Officers, &amp;c.

To whom Payable, and Station of Office.	When Payable.	Sums Payable.	On what Account.
		£. s. d.	
To His Majesty - - -	At Michaelmas -	17 7 8	-- A fee-farm rent for the friars' houses.
To the mayor - - -	At Christmas -	4 - -	-- For Morley's legacy, 1 l.; Bird's, 2 l., and Callthrop's, 1 l. for coals.
To the deputy-recorder - -	At Michaelmas -	6 13 4	For his salary.
To the town-clerk - - -	8 June & Dec. -	40 - -	Part of his salary.
To the chamberlain - - -	At Michaelmas -	20 - -	For his salary.
To the ditto - - -	- - ditto - - -	3 3 -	-- Refreshments for the tenants on rent-days.
To the coroner - - -	Lady-day - - -	16 - -	For his salary.
To the judge of the Admiralty -	At Michaelmas -	2 13 4	For his salary.
To the serjeants-at-the-mace -	Quarterly - - -	78 - -	For their salary.
To the town-crier - - -	- Ditto - - -	15 - -	For his salary.
To the ditto - - -	- Ditto - - -	5 - -	For cleaning the fish-market.
To Joseph Appleby - - -	1 May - - -	5 5 -	For cleaning the justice-room.
To ditto - - -	1 November -	5 5 -	For cleaning the butter-market.

To whom Payable, and Station of Office.	When Payable.	Sums Payable.	On what Account.
		£. s. d.	
To the marshal of the Admiralty	1 November -	42 - -	For his year's salary.
To the gaoler - - - -	Quarterly - -	62 - -	For his salary.
To the ditto - - - -	- - - -	5 - -	- - For lime-washing and clean ing the gaol.
To the town-beadle - - -	- - - -	35 - -	For his salary.
To the ditto - - - -	- - - -	35 - -	- - For looking after the new rooms, &c.
To the vicar - - - -	- - Lady-day, Midsum- mer, Michaelmas and Christmas.	34 13 4	Part of his salary.
To the ditto - - - -	- - - -	5 - -	- - A legacy left by Mr. Thomas Marjery.
To the County Fire-office -	- - - -	21 14 6	For insurance.
To the foreman of the leet jury -	On two court-leet days	2 2 -	For a court-leet dinner.
To the lord of the manor of Fishtoft.	15 October -	1 12 9	- - For chief rents of land in Fishtoft.
To the sheriff's officer - - -	At Michaelmas -	- 9 4	For cleaning the town dial.
To John Hackford - - - -	- - Ditto -	2 2 -	- - For cleaning the pews of the church.
To ditto - - - -	Christmas - -	- 2 6	- - For cleaning the window seats.
To ditto - - - -	- Ditto - -	- 5 -	- - For May fair, 15 s.; August, fair, 15 s., and the March, 15 s. 2 s. 6 d. in the pound.
To the bridge watchmen - -	- - - -	2 5 -	- - Rent of Forelands, 3 l. 15 s.; rent of land for Maud Foster, 4 s. 4 d.
To the collector of tithes - -	- - - -	- - -	
To the collector of drainage tax	Lady-day - -	3 19 4	
To the collector of highways assessment and dikereeve.	- - - -	- - -	
To the collector of tenths -	Easter - - -	3 9 10	- - Annual payment payable at Easter at Tenths'-office.
To Mr. P. Curtois, land-agent to the corporation.	- - - -	10 - -	Part of his salary.
To Mr. J. Pacey, surveyor to ditto.	1 July & January	30 - -	Ditto.
To Rev. T. Horner, chaplain to the gaol.	21 Nov. and May	26 - -	For his salary.
To the collector of lighting and watching.	Yearly - - -	19 12 -	- - The corporation proportion of the assessment for light- ing and watching the town.
To the collector of the gas com- pany.	- - - -	10 10 -	- - For lights at the new buildings.
To the Lord Bishop of Lincoln -	Easter - - -	2 18 11	- - For a pension, synods and procurations.
To the Archdeacon of ditto -	Easter & Michaelmas	5 - -	For bread for the poor.
To the churchwardens of Boston	At Michaelmas -	5 - -	
	£.	579 3 10	

## CHARITIES.

To whom Payable, and Station of Office.	When Payable.	Sums Payable.	On what Account.
		£. s. d.	
To the governor of the County Hospital.	- - - -	10 - -	- - Subscription to the county hospital.
To four poor widows - - -	Quarterly - -	12 - -	- - Mrs. Brown's charity— Denton, Ann Morton Sarah Parkinson and Ann Dixon.
To the treasurer of the Blue Coat School.	Lady-day - -	21 - -	Annual subscription.
To the treasurer of the General Dispensary.	May - - -	31 10 -	- - Ditto.
To the treasurer of the National School.	1 July & January	20 - -	- - Ditto.
To the treasurer of the Lincoln Asylum.	1 January - -	10 - -	- - Ditto.
To the Lincolnshire Coast Asso- ciation, for the preservation of Life from Shipwreck.	25 March - -	10 10 -	- - Ditto.
	£.	115 - -	

## PENSIONS.

To whom Payable, and Station of Office.	When Payable.	Sums Payable.	On what Account.
To the late town-crier - - -	Quarterly - -	£. s. d. 21 - -	- - During the pleasure of the Hall.
To the widow of the late beadle - - -	- Ditto - -	18 - -	- - - Ditto.
To the late gaoler - - -	- Ditto - -	30 - -	- - - Ditto.
To the widow of a former town-crier.	- - 25 August and February.	20 - -	- - - Ditto.
	£.	89 - -	
To the treasurer of the paving commissioners.	- - 1 January and July.	135 - -	Annually, in lieu of the corporation's proportionate share of the expenses of paving and cleansing the streets.

## ANNUITIES.

Sums Advanced.	When Advanced.	On whose Life Payable.	When Payable, and what per Cent.	Annuities.
£. s. d.				£. s. d.
100 - -	- - -	- - Miss M. T. Lowe, during her own life.	26 Sept. and March, 8 per cent. -	8 - -
625 - -	- - -	- - Miss S. M. Blackiston, during her own life.	10 Oct. and 5 April, 8 per cent.	50 - -
200 - -	- - -	- - The executors of Mr. Thomas Cheyney, during the life of Mr. J. Garfit.	5 April and January, 7 per cent.	14 - -
200 - -	- - -	- - The executors of Mr. Thomas Cheyney, during the life of Mr. W. Garfit.	5 April and January, 7 per cent.	14 - -
450 - -	- - -	- - Miss Mary Robinson, during her own life.	10 Oct. and 5 April, 8 per cent.	36 - -
200 - -	- - -	Miss Anna Robinson, ditto -	Ditto - - - - ditto -	16 - -
300 - -	- - -	Mr. William Turner, ditto -	17 June and Dec., 10 per cent. -	30 - -
200 - -	6 March 1820	John Salmon, ditto - - -	6 Oct. and April, 12 per cent. -	24 - -
4,000 - -	6 April 1805 -	- - To the town clerk, in moieties, on 11 October and 6 April, to be applied by him in payment of the annuities of the Bridge Tontine.		280 - -
10,000 - -	1 May 1814 -	To ditto, Boston Tontine - - -	1 Nov. and May, ditto - - -	700 - -
100 - -	20 Feb. 1821	- - Mrs. Mary Wetherall, during her own life.	- - 20 August and Feb. 11 l. 10 s. per cent.	11 10 -
100 - -	1 June 1820 -	Mrs. Ann Somerscales, ditto -	1 Dec. and June, 10 per cent. -	10 - -
650 - -	4 April 1827 -	Miss Anna Maria Farside, ditto -	4 Oct. and April - - -	63 - -
500 - -	30 Oct. 1827 -	Robinson Thomas Farside, ditto -	30 Oct. and April, 11 per cent.	55 - -
100 - -	7 Nov. 1827 -	Ann Hall, widow, ditto - - -	7 May & Nov. 10 l. 10 s. per cent.	10 10 -
250 - -	26 April 1814	Martha Potter, widow, ditto -	26 April and Oct. 12 per cent. -	30 - -
100 - -	15 Oct. 1828	Rebecca Grantham, ditto - -	15 Oct. and April, 20 per cent. -	20 - -
18,075 - -			£.	1,372 - -

## LAND TAX, at 4s. in the Pound.

	£. s. d.
Boston - - - - -	72 9 6
Shirbeck - - - - -	10 14 10
Wyberton - - - - -	5 6 2
Fishtoft - - - - -	1 16 -
Shirbeck Quarter - - - - -	- 5 6
£.	90 12 -

## GENERAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.	—	DISBURSEMENTS.	—
	£. s. d.		£. s. d.
Rents of estates, &c. - -	3,595 3 6	Interest on money borrowed -	630 14 -
Interest on turnpike shares, &c.	172 2 -	Annual salaries, &c. - -	579 3 10
Interest on account of the bridge - - - -	350 - -	Charities - - - -	115 - -
		Pensions - - - -	89 - -
		Paving streets - - - -	135 - -
		Annuities - - - -	1,372 - -
		Land tax - - - -	90 12 -
£.	4,117 5 6	£.	3,011 9 10

To the above amount of disbursements must be added for repairs and other contingent expenses, taking the average of seven years ending 1st May 1832, 712*l.* 2*s.* 7*d.*

*N.B.*—The amount expended by the chamberlain for repairs, &c. for the year ending 1st May 1832, was 1,551*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*

The accounts of this officer are likewise examined and allowed by the Hall at their annual audit.

It should be observed, that in addition to the annual expenditure of the mayor and burgesses, they have at different periods during the last 25 years expended large sums of money in the erection of public works and buildings, and making other improvements within the borough, amongst which the following are the most important.

In the year 1810, in consequence of the decayed state of the old bridge across the river Witham, which runs through the town, the mayor and burgesses erected a new one of cast iron, at an expense (including the purchase money for the approaches) of 23,564*l.*, without any charge upon the inhabitants. This sum in the first instance was raised and paid out of the chamberlain's funds before mentioned; but since then the funds of the erection bailiff, which chiefly consist of estates granted by the above-named charter of King Philip and Queen Mary, have been charged with the re-payment to the chamberlain of a portion of this expense, namely, 12,000*l.*, by instalments of 500*l.* each, with interest in the mean time, out of which instalments ten have been paid and the interest thereon, leaving a balance due to the chamberlain, on account of the principal, of 7,000*l.*

The mayor and burgesses have also within the last 15 years erected a new borough gaol, at an expense of 5,237*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*, and the same is kept in repair by them without any charge upon the inhabitants.

The mayor and burgesses also, about 18 years ago, laid out 3,000*l.* in the purchase of certain messuages, shops and buildings, which they pulled down to enlarge and improve the market-place, without any charge upon the inhabitants.

They also, about 14 years since, expended 14,353*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* in the erection of a public building in the market-place, consisting of corn, butter and poultry markets, with assembly-rooms above, without any charge upon the inhabitants.

The mayor and burgesses also, about 16 years since, built a new fish-market, which cost 1,233*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*, without any charge being made upon the inhabitants.

They have also within the last seven years expended 2,007*l.* 12*s.* in building a new grammar-school, without any charge upon the inhabitants.

And they have likewise, at different periods within the last few years, laid out large sums of money in repairing and improving the stock-market, amounting in the whole to 2,168*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*, and this also without any charge upon the inhabitants.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Boston, Lincolnshire.*

N A M E S.	Professions and Trades.
John Waite - - - -	Attorney.
Henry Clarke - - - -	Common Brewer.
William Bousfield - - - -	Surgeon and Apothecary.
John Hardwick - - - -	Gentleman.
Samuel Waite - - - -	Merchant.
Edward Hunnings - - - -	Grocer.
Henry Gee - - - -	Banker.
Francis Wheldale - - - -	Draper.
John Skynner Bailly, sen. - - - -	Grocer.
John Palmer Hollway - - - -	Attorney.
Edward Wilford - - - -	Merchant.
Benjamin Bowlin Kelsey - - - -	Bookseller.
Francis Thirkill - - - -	Attorney.
John Robert Rogers - - - -	Surgeon and Apothecary.
Thomas Broughton - - - -	Common Brewer.
Charles Rice - - - -	Merchant.
John Skynner Bailly, jun. - - - -	Grocer.
George Hardy - - - -	Grocer.

*Buxton Kenrick, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF LINCOLN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

NAME of CHARITY, and Description of CHARITABLE FUNDS.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.	TRUSTEES.
<b>Gale's Charity:</b> A rent-charge of 22 <i>l.</i> issuing out of lauds, at Claypoole, in Lincolnshire.	-- By the Will of Robert Gale, citizen and vintner of London, dated 4th July 1612.	-- To be distributed amongst the poor of the several parishes in the city of Lincoln, on St. Thomas's-day, annually, in the proportions mentioned in the Will.	-- Paid by the mayor in money to the several parish officers, and by them distributed in bread to the poor as directed by the Will.	-- The Mayor, Sheriffs and Chamberlains.
<b>Licensing Money:</b> Present balance in hand, 230 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	-- A fund arising from payments of 5 <i>l.</i> each by non-freemen taking ale-house licenses, according to very ancient custom.	-- In putting out apprentices, sons of freemen, with premiums of 20 <i>l.</i> each; 10 <i>l.</i> paid on the execution of the indenture, and 10 <i>l.</i> at the expiration of four years, if the relation of master and apprentice be then subsisting to the satisfaction of the trustees.	-- In putting out apprentices, sons of freemen.	The Mayor and Aldermen.
<b>Sir Thomas White's Charity:</b> A fund arising from payments by the Corporation of the city of Bristol of 104 <i>l.</i> every 24 years. Present balance in hand, 159 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i>	-- By Deed, dated 1st July 1656, between the mayor, burgesses and commonalty of the city of Bristol, of the first part; the president and scholars of St. John Baptist, Oxford, of the second part; and the master and wardens of the merchant tailors, London, of the third part.	-- For advancing, by way of loan on bond for ten years, without interest, the sum of 25 <i>l.</i> to young men of the said city of Lincoln, and freemen of the same. (Clothiers to be preferred.)	-- As directed by the foundation deed. Thirteen bonds outstanding.	-- Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty.
<b>Westby's Charity:</b> £612. 10 <i>s.</i> in the hands of the Corporation, at five per cent.	-- By the Will of George Westby, of the parish of St. Peter, Lincoln, 19th April 1786.	-- The interest to be distributed annually to three poor men and three poor widows or spinsters, to be above the age of sixty, and inhabitants and parishioners of some parish in the city of Lincoln.	-- To three poor men and three poor women, in sums of 5 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>d.</i> each, annually, according to the provisions of the Will.	-- Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty.
<b>Sir N. Raynton's Charity:</b> A rent-charge of 10 <i>l.</i> on certain houses in Lombard street, London, belonging to the Haberdashers' Company, London, and paid annually by them. Present balance in hand, 65 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i>	By the Will of Sir Nicholas Raynton, 1646.	-- For placing out the children of poor persons born in the city of Lincoln (but not of freemen) apprentices to trades, never exceeding 5 <i>l.</i> premium to each.	As directed by the Will.	The Mayor and Aldermen.
<b>Mr. Knight's Charity:</b> A piece of land called the Cherry Holt, in the city of Lincoln, let at an annual rent of 11 <i>l.</i>	-- Supposed by the Will of William Knight, heretofore of the city of Lincoln, gent. (though neither the Will nor any extract thereof can be found.)	-- Amongst the poor of the several parishes in the city of Lincoln, (except the parishes of St. Swithin and St. Peter in Eastgate), in proportions prescribed by very ancient usage.	-- Paid by the mayor in money to the several parish officers, and by them distributed in bread amongst their respective poor.	-- Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty.
<b>Sir William Ellis's Charity:</b> A rent-charge of 10 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> per annum issuing out of an estate at Swinehorpe, in the parish of Suelland, Lincolnshire. Balance now due to the Trustees, 13 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i>	-- By Deed, dated 2d May, 8 Chas. I. between the mayor, sheriffs, citizens and commonalty of the city of Lincoln, of the one part; and Sir William Ellis, of the Close, of the cathedral church of Lincoln, knight, of the other part.	-- To pay 52 <i>s.</i> each yearly to four poor widows: one to be the immediate widow of a vicar or singing man of the cathedral, and the three others to be the immediate widows of freemen of the said city.	-- Paid to four widows by 52 <i>s.</i> each annually, as prescribed by the Will.	-- Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty.

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NAME of CHARITY, and Description of CHARITABLE FUNDS.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.	TRUSTEES.
<b>Acham's Charity:</b> A rent-charge of 12 <i>l.</i> per annum, issuing out of an estate at Asterby, Lincolnshire.	-- By the Will of Anthony Acham, late of Hölborn, London, gentleman, deceased, dated 27 June 1638.	-- To be distributed in bread yearly, at six several times, by equal and rateable proportions, amongst the poor people of Lincoln.	-- Paid by the mayor in money to the several parish officers, according to the proportions long established by custom, and by them distributed in bread to their respective poor.	-- Mayor, Sheriff, Citizens and Commonalty.
<b>Garmston's Charity:</b> £.2,010 in the hands of the Corporation,* at five per cent.	-- By the Will of Elizabeth Garmston, late of the city of Lincoln, widow, dated 3d January 1798.	-- The interest of parts thereof, amounting to 87 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> to be paid annually for ever, to several poor men and poor women, in the parish of St. Martin, Lincoln, in the proportions therein mentioned; and 5 <i>l.</i> annually for the education of two poor boys and two poor girls; 4 <i>l.</i> annually to the organist of St. Martin's, and 4 <i>l.</i> to the parish clerk for taking care of the founder's late husband's monument.	-- Paid in money to the poor men and women of St. Martin's, and to the organist and parish clerk; and for teaching two poor boys and two poor girls of the said parish, according to the provisions of the Will.	Mayor and six senior Aldermen.
<b>Boulter's Charity:</b> A rent-charge of 10 <i>l.</i> issuing out of an estate at Bailings and Stainton, in the county of Lincoln.	By the Will of Edmund Boulter, Esq.	-- For and towards maintaining a school in the parishes of Stainton and Barlings, in the county of Lincoln, or one of them, for educating children of the said parishes in English and arithmetic.	-- Paid annually to the schoolmaster of Barlings, appointed by the Corporation.  <i>N.B.</i> —The stipend for the last five years has not been paid, in consequence of a clergyman having obtruded himself into the school without appointment; and the Trustees finding a difficulty in ejecting him, they have consequently a sum of 50 <i>l.</i> in hand.	-- Mayor, Sheriff, Citizens and Commonalty.
<b>Lyon's Charity:</b> £.500 vested in 492 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i> in Government New 3½ per Cents.	-- By the Will of Samuel Lyon, esq. late of Lincoln, dated 27th November 1804.	-- For decayed housekeepers of the city of Lincoln, and not to be paid in sums of less than 3 <i>l.</i> each.	-- Paid to three poor men and three poor women (decayed housekeepers) at 3 <i>l.</i> each annually.	Mayor and Aldermen.
<b>Sutton's Charity:</b> Rectory and lands at Glentham, in the county of Lincoln, and certain tithes in the parish of Caenby, in the said county, held by lease of the Dean and Chapter of the cathedral church of Lincoln for 21 years, renewable every seven, and producing a clear annual rent of about 260 <i>l.</i> and 935 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> in the Government 3½ per Cents, producing annually 32 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i>	-- By the Will of Thomas Sutton, esq. dated 2d November 1611.	-- To distribute and bestow the same amongst twenty of the poorest people that should be dwelling in the said city.	-- To twenty poor men by 8 <i>l.</i> each annually, as directed by the Will.	Mayor and Aldermen.
<i>N.B.</i> —The fine and expenses attending the last renewal of the lease was 439 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> This renders it necessary for the trustees to keep in hand a considerable reserve. Their present balance is 182 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i>				
<b>Smith's Charity:</b> Estates at Fossayke Fen, Braytoft and Algar-kirke, in the county of Lincoln, producing an annual rental of about 636 <i>l.</i> and 410 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> in the Government 3½ per Cents, producing annually 14 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i>	-- By the Will of John Smith, of London, merchant, dated 20th October 1653, and several acts, deeds and proceedings in law grounded thereon.	-- To be distributed by the mayor and six senior aldermen of Lincoln: two-third parts thereof to the poor of the parish of Saint Swithin, in the said city; and the remaining third part thereof to the poor of the parish of Eastgate, in the said city.	-- Distributed by the mayor and six senior aldermen, in money, amongst the poor of the parishes of Saint Swithin and Eastgate, quarterly, in sums of 103 <i>l.</i> to the former, and 51 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> to the latter parish. The sums given to recipients vary in amount, according to their age, number in family, and other necessities; 3 <i>l.</i> quarterly being the maximum to any one recipient.	Mayor and six senior Aldermen.

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<i>Durrance's Charity</i> : £.180 in the hands of the Corporation, at five per cent.	-- By the Will of Mary Durrance, late of Lincoln, spinster, dated 22d October 1810.	-- For two poor women above the age of 50, of the parish of St. Martin, Lincoln.	-- Paid to two poor women of the parish of St. Martin, Lincoln, by annual payments of 4 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> each.	Mayor and six senior Aldermen.
<i>Harvey's Charity</i> : £.400 in the hands of the Corporation, at three per cent.	-- By the Will of John Harvey, esq. late of Lincoln, dated 24th January 1758.	-- For four poor freemen of the city of Lincoln, two of them to be of the parish of St. Martin.	-- Paid to four poor freemen, two being of the parish of St. Martin, in annual sums of 3 <i>l.</i> each.	-- Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty.
<i>Holland's Charity</i> : £.350 in the hands of the Corporation, at five per cent.	-- By the Will of Edward Holland, late of the city of Lincoln, plumber, 21st January 1749.	-- For four poor widows, and to the churchwarden of the parish of St. Martin, for the repair of the church.	-- Paid to four poor widows of the parish of St. Martin, in sums of 3 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> each annually, and 3 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> to the churchwarden.	-- Mayor, senior Alderman and Town Clerk.
<i>Richier's Charity</i> : A rent-charge of 12 <i>l.</i> per annum (but subject to a deduction for land-tax of 2 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> ) arising out of estates at Ingoldmells and Addlethorpe, in the county of Lincoln.	-- By the Will of Peter Richier, of the bail of Lincoln, M.D., 4th June 1728.	-- For three poor widows, to be resident in the city of Lincoln, below Hill there.	-- Paid to three poor widows residing below Hill, Lincoln, in sums of 3 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> each, annually.	-- Mayor, senior Alderman and Town Clerk.
CHRIST'S HOSPITAL: (Blue Coat School, Lincoln.)	-- The Mayor, Recorder, senior Alderman and Town Clerk are also Trustees and Governors (with others not of the corporate body) of Christ's Hospital, Lincoln, founded by Richard Smith, Esq. M.D. The property left by the founder, with that added by subsequent benefactors, consisting of real estates and money in the funds, produce about 1,700 <i>l.</i> a year; out of which the expenses of managing the estates and institution are discharged, and 56 boys are clothed, kept and educated on the establishment for seven years, and at the end of that time are apprenticed, with a premium of 16 <i>l.</i> each, to trades for a further period of seven years.			

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Lincoln.

Robert Fowler	-	-	Wine Merchant	-	-	Mayor and Alderman.
George Kent	-	-	Gentleman	-	-	ditto.
Thomas Foster	-	-	Gentleman	-	-	ditto.
Henry Swan	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	ditto.
Thomas Jepson	-	-	Ironmonger	-	-	ditto.
Tyrwhit Smith	-	-	Draper	-	-	ditto.
John Straw	-	-	Draper	-	-	ditto.
John Hett	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	ditto.
John Hayward	-	-	Builder	-	-	ditto.
Thomas Colton	-	-	Gentleman	-	-	ditto.
Robert Featherby	-	-	Ironmonger	-	-	ditto.
George Steel	-	-	Draper	-	-	ditto.
William Featherby	-	-	Ironmonger	-	-	ditto.
Matthew Sewell	-	-	Wine Merchant	-	-	ditto.
William Hall	-	-	Timber Merchant	-	-	ditto.
William Hayward	-	-	Architect	-	-	ditto.
Henry Swan	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	ditto.
William Wriglesworth	-	-	Seeds Merchant	-	-	ditto.
James Snow	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	ditto.
Page Cartledge	-	-	Grocer	-	-	ditto.
Thomas Norton	-	-	Draper	-	-	ditto.
Charles Hayward	-	-	Attorney-at-Law	-	-	ditto.
William Huddleston	-	-	Corn Merchant	-	-	ditto.
Thomas Winn	-	-	Draper	-	-	ditto.

Lincoln, 14 February 1833.

R<sup>d</sup> Mason, Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF LISKEARD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Wadham's Charity.*—£. 1. 10 s. paid out of a house in Liskeard; distributed to 12 poor widows.

*Trott's Charity.*—£. 3 paid out of a house in Liskeard; distributed to 24 poor people.

*White's Charity.*—£. 3 to the poor of Liskeard, payable out of funds vested in the borough of Plymouth (which has not been paid for many years past.)

The other property belonging to the Corporation of Liskeard consists of houses and lands within the borough, with tolls of markets and fairs, which at a very early period became the property of the Corporation, and is vested in them either by charter, or grants confirmed by charter, and granted to the Corporation generally, without any particular mode of appropriation being specified.

The corporate funds are applied to the purposes of maintaining the police of the place, the repairs of the streets, and occasional improvements, and defraying one-half of the church rates, and paying the interest of the debt, which has been incurred in making public improvements; but such repairs and improvements, and the payment to the church rates, are the voluntary acts of the Corporation, and such as they are in nowise bound to.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Liskeard.*

1814	-	Arthur Puckey, Esquire	-	No profession.
1815	-	The Right hon. Earl of St. Germans.		
1816	-	John Carthew, Esquire	-	No profession.
1817	-	Thomas Robins	-	Solicitor and Banker.
1818	-	Edmund Carthew, Esquire	-	No profession.
1819	-	John Carthew, Esquire	-	No profession.
1820	-	William Pedler	-	Surgeon.
1821	-	William Jope, Esquire	-	Magistrate for the County.
1822	-	Thomas Robins	-	Solicitor and Banker.
1823	-	John Carthew, Esquire	-	No profession.
1824	-	Edmund Carthew, Esquire	-	No profession.
1825	-	William Westlake	-	Banker.
1826	-	James Bennicke, Esquire	-	No profession.
1827	-	William Pedler	-	Surgeon.
1828	-	The Right hon. Edward Granville	-	Lord Eliot.
1829	-	William Rowe	-	Major in the Royal Marines.
1830	-	Richard Doidge Sargent	-	Surveyor of taxes.
1831	-	Thomas Robins	-	Solicitor and Banker.
1832	-	Edward Hoblyn Pedler	-	Solicitor.
1833	-	John Carthew, Esquire	-	No profession.

Liskeard, 1st July 1833.

*Edm<sup>d</sup> Carthew*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LIVERPOOL.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of Liverpool have no charitable funds or other property in their order or disposition, though they have several small sums of money in their possession, by way of loan, the interest of which is annually paid by them to the persons invested with the power of distribution, which in two cases is the mayor for the time being, and applied by them for the purposes of the charity.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Liverpool.*

1812. Samuel Staniforth	-	Merchant.	1822. William Molyneux (dead)	Merchant.
1813. William Nicholson (dead)	In no profession or trade.		1823. Charles Lawrence	- Merchant.
1814. Thomas Leyland (dead)	Banker.		1824. J. B. Hollinshead (dead)	Merchant.
1815. Sir William Barton, Knight (dead)	- Merchant.		1825. Peter Bourne	- Merchant.
1816. John Wright	- In no profession or trade.		1826. Thomas Littledale	- Merchant.
1817. Thomas Case	- Merchant.		1827. Thomas Colley Porter	- In no profession or trade.
1818. Jonathan Blundell Hollinshead (dead)	- Merchant.		1828. Nicholas Robinson	- Merchant.
1819. Sir John Tobin, Knight	- Merchant.		1829. Sir George Drinkwater, Knight.	In no profession or trade.
1820. Thomas Leyland (dead)	Banker.		1830. Sir Thomas Brancker, Knight	- Merchant.
1821. Richard Bullin	- Banker.		1831. Samuel Sandbach	- Merchant.
			1832. Charles Horsfall	- Merchant.

18th February 1833.

*Thomas Foster*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LLANFYLLIN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Borough of Llanfyllin has no charitable funds, nor any other property in possession, except the tolls of the market (given by charter), which go towards paying the salaries of the serjeants at mace, and the expenses of the bailiffs during the time being.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Llanfyllin.*

David Evans	-	Maltster	-	} Bailiffs	{ Nominated at the court leet, on the 20th October 1812.
John Jones	-	Grocer	-		
Thomas Evans	-	Gentleman	-	} ditto	- 23d October 1813.
Richard Griffiths	-	ditto	-		
John Jones	-	Grocer	-	} ditto	- 22d October 1814.
Edward Evans	-	Maltster	-		
Thomas Evans	-	Gentleman	-	} ditto	- 27th September 1815.
Richard Griffiths	-	ditto	-		
John Jones	-	Grocer	-	} ditto	- 28th October 1816.
Richard Griffiths	-	Gentleman	-		
Hugh Roberts	-	Surgeon	-	} ditto	- 25th October 1817.
John Thomas	-	Attorney	-		
Rev. D. Hughes	-	Rector of Llan-	} ditto	- 26th October 1818.	
		fyllin.			
John Jones	-	Grocer	-	} ditto	- 21st October 1819.
Thomas Evans	-	Gentleman	-		
John Thomas	-	Attorney	-	} ditto	- 25th October 1820.
Richard Griffiths	-	Gentleman	-		
Edward Roe Evans	-	ditto	-	} ditto	- 27th October 1821.
Hugh Roberts	-	Surgeon	-		
Walter Griffiths	-	Gentleman	-	} ditto	- 28th October 1822.
John Jones	-	Grocer	-		
Edward Evans	-	Maltster	-	} ditto	- 27th October 1823.
Rev. D. Hughes	-	Clerk	-		
John Thomas	-	Attorney	-	} ditto	- 28th October 1824.
Maurice Bibby	-	Attorney	-		
Rev. D. Hughes	-	Clerk	-	} ditto	- 18th October 1825.
Thomas Bibby	-	Draper	-		
Edward Foulkes	-	Tanner	-	} ditto	- 27th October 1826.
Edward Evans	-	Maltster	-		
Rev. D. Hughes	-	Clerk	-	} ditto	- 24th October 1827.
Edward Foulkes	-	Tanner	-		
William Humffreys	-	Esquire	-	} ditto	- 27th October 1828.
Edward Foulkes	-	Tanner	-		
Thomas Bibby	-	Draper	-	} ditto	- 26th October 1829.
William Humffreys	-	Esquire	-		
Maurice Bibby	-	Attorney	-	} ditto	- 22d October 1830.
Hugh Roberts	-	Surgeon	-		
Rev. D. Hughes	-	Clerk	-	} ditto	- 18th October 1831.
Edward Foulkes	-	Tanner	-		
William Humffreys	-	Esquire	-	} ditto	{ 23d October 1832, present Magistrates.
Edward Foulkes	-	Tanner	-		
Thomas Bibby	-	Draper	-		

Llanfyllin, 14th February 1833.

M. Bibby, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LLANIDLOES.

No regular appointment as Town Clerk for this borough has taken place since its disfranchisement, although I have acted in that capacity for nearly twenty years; and so far as my information extends, I know not of any Charitable Funds, or other property, in the possession, order or disposition of the Municipal Corporation in this borough. And I know not of any of the members of the Corporation who, by virtue of their election to corporate offices, have acted as Magistrates during the last twenty years.

Llanidloes, 16th February 1833.

Edw. Lewis, Magistrates' Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF EAST LOOE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir,

East Looe, February 14, 1833.

ON showing your letter of the 11th instant to the mayor and the late town clerk, they were of opinion that the inquiry related only to charitable funds; under this impression I proceed to state, that the Corporation of this borough is entitled to a yearly sum of 4*l.* under the Will of Major-general Trelawney, to be distributed amongst the poor inhabitants of this borough not receiving parish relief; which sum is annually distributed by the mayor of this borough.

If their impression should not be correct, a statement of the other property belonging to the Corporation shall be sent.

S. M. Phillippa, Esq.

I am, &amp;c.

W<sup>m</sup> Tickell, Town Clerk.CORPORATE OFFICERS—*East Looe.*

John Keast	-	-	-	-	Attorney at Law.
William Soady	-	-	-	-	A retired Officer of the Excise.
John Harris Nicholas	-	-	-	-	Commander in the Navy.
Thomas Campbell	-	-	-	-	Captain in Navy.
James Nicholas	-	-	-	-	Collector of the Customs.
Robert Grigg	-	-	-	-	Merchant.
Joseph Soady	-	-	-	-	Commander in the Navy.
Henry Truegenna	-	-	-	-	Mercer and Draper.
William Soady	-	-	-	-	Purser in the Navy.
Thomas Bond	-	-	-	-	Attorney at Law.
James Nicholas	-	-	-	-	Captain in Royal Marines.

From the commencement of the twenty years (and for some time before) until the year 1824, Sir Edward Buller was the Recorder of this borough, and as such, a magistrate thereof. Since 1824, Colonel Elphinstone has been the Recorder, and consequently a magistrate; and since 1830, Henry Thomas Hope, Esquire, has been Deputy Recorder, and as such, a magistrate of the borough.

W<sup>m</sup> Tickell, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WEST LOOE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

I know of no other charitable fund which the Corporation of West Looe has the disposing of than the sum of 4*l.* per annum given by the late Major-general Trelawney, many years since, to poor inhabitants of the said borough of West Looe, not receiving parochial relief. This money is annually paid to the mayor of West Looe by the trustees of this charity, and by the mayor and burgesses distributed to the persons who are fit objects of the charity at Christmas yearly.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*West Looe.*

Mayors, being Justices of the Peace.				Stewards, being Justices of the Peace.			
1813	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	James Templer, Esquire.	
1814	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	Charles Buller, Esquire.	
1815	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	Charles Buller, Esquire.	
1816	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	John Buller, Esquire.	
1817	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	ditto.	
1818	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	ditto.	
1819	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	ditto.	
1820	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	ditto.	
1821	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	ditto.	
1822	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks, jun.	-	-	ditto.	
1823	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	ditto.	
1824	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	ditto.	
1825	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks, jun.	-	-	ditto.	
1826	-	-	Mr. Samuel Prynn	-	-	ditto.	
1827	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	ditto.	
1828	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks	-	-	ditto.	
1829	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks, jun.	-	-	ditto.	
1830	-	-	Mr. Nathaniel Hearle	-	-	ditto.	
1831	-	-	Mr. Isaac Willcocks, jun.	-	-	ditto.	
1832	-	-	{ Mr. Nathaniel Hearle, who continues in office till 29th September next. }			ditto.	

East Looe, February 14, 1833.

Tho<sup>s</sup> Bond.

## CORPORATION OF LONDON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of the Charitable Funds or other Property, in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the Corporation.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which the same are now distributed and applied.
<b>Sir John Philpot's Charity:</b>			
Certain quit-rents, amounting together to 36 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> charged on several houses and premises situate in Cheapside, Lombard-street, Pudding-lane, Thames-street, Lambeth-hill, Queenhithe.	-- By will of Sir John Philpot, dated in the year 1381, inrolled in the Court of Hustings 13th Ric. II.	-- To the prior and convent of Pancras, at Lewes, in Sussex, for a priest of the said monastery celebrating divine service for the soul of the donor and others, ten marks per annum - - - 6 13 4	-- The payment of 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> per annum has long since ceased to be made, the said rent-charge having been purchased of the Crown; and the other payments for superstitious uses have also been discontinued.
	To the vicar of Gillingham, in the county of Kent, for finding and maintaining a priest to perform the said service in the chapel in the manor of the Grange, in the county of Kent, five marks per annum - - - - - 3 6 8	To the monks of the house of Harlee, in the county of Berks, for solemnly keeping and observing the day of the anniversary of his death, one mark - - - - - 13 4	-- The payment of one penny per day is continued to the thirteen poor persons, agreeably to the directions of the will.
	To pay one penny per day to eight poor men and five poor women, to be nominated by his wife Margaret, and after her decease by the Mayor and Recorder of the city of London for the time being 19 14 4	To the Chamberlain for the time being, for his trouble about the thirteen poor persons, annually - - - - - 13 4	The payment to the Chamberlain of London, is also continued.
	To his clerk - - - - - 3 4	To the abbess of Aye, in the county of Cambridge, to the use and behoof of his daughter Thomasene, while she lives and remains a sister nun, annually - 5 - -	<i>Note.</i> —Ehe Chamberlain, by a resolution of the Court of Common Council, pays out of the Corporation funds the sum of 20 <i>l.</i> per annum to each of the above-named poor persons, in addition to the afore-mentioned bequest.
<b>John Carpenter's Donation:</b>			
Several houses and premises situate in Thames-street, Bridge-street, St. Giles's-in-the-Fields, West Cheap and Houndsditch.	-- The will by which this property was devised has never been found, although great pains have been taken to obtain the same.	-- It appears by the earliest accounts in the possession of the Chamberlain, that out of the proceeds of the said property, four children, sons of freemen, were maintained, educated and clothed.	-- To the entire maintenance, clothing and education of four sons of freemen of London, nominated by the Mayor in whose mayoralty the vacancies shall happen; such sons of freemen to have the benefit of a classical and commercial education, and to be entitled, on a certificate of good conduct from the master of the school, to the sum of 100 <i>l.</i> to be applied towards their advancement in life.
<b>John Costin's Gift:</b>			
No accurate description of the property subject to this bequest can now be given, the same having been included, with other property belonging to the Corporation, under a head of account described in the earliest rental in the possession of the Comptroller (1667), as "Costine's rents and others in Mark-lane," which comprises certain premises in Mark-lane, Well-alley, Pickaxe-ailey and Feuchurch-street.	-- By will of John Costin, inrolled in the Court of Hustings 26 Hen. VI.	-- To the payment of 14 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> annually, for the keeping and observing his anniversary; for providing one hundred quarters of coals, to be distributed yearly between the vigil of All Saints and the vigil of Easter, to poor housekeepers of the parish of All Saints, Stayning, five quarters per week, if so many poor shall be in the said parish; if otherwise, to poor housekeepers in the parish of the church adjoining thereto, within Tower Ward, London; and for the support of the works of the conduits of the city.	-- Forty bushels (five quarters) of sea coal are delivered to the poor of Allhallows, Stayning, agreeably to the provisions of the will, from All Saints day (1st November) to the 16th March following, inclusive. A cellar is provided for the coals, for which a rent of 10 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> per annum is paid.

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<p><b>Lady Ann Dacre's Charity:</b></p> <p>An estate, situate at Brandsburton, in the East Riding of the county of York, consisting of 2,922 A. 1 R. 13 P. of land, the present rental of which is 2,756<i>l.</i> 17<i>s.</i> after deducting 10<i>l.</i> per cent, allowed to tenants.</p> <p>About four acres of ground in or near Tothill-fields, in the county of Middlesex, on which the hospital stands.</p> <p>£. 10,200 Consolidated Three per Cent. Annuities.</p>	<p>-- By will, bearing date the 20th day of December 1594, confirmed by charter of incorporation, bearing date the 17th day of December, in the 43d year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth.</p> <p>-- Purchased from time to time out of the surplus income of the estates.</p>	<p>-- For the erection, establishment and maintenance of a hospital, in or near Tothill-fields, in the county of Middlesex, to be called Emanuel Hospital, and for the providing for 20 poor folk and 20 poor children.</p> <p>The payments of the year ending Michaelmas 1832 were as follows; and, excepting the item of repairs, which is above the average expense, may be considered as an average of expenditure.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td><td style="text-align: right;">£.</td><td style="text-align: right;">s.</td><td style="text-align: right;">d.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Expense of repairs, drainage, &amp;c. of the estate at Brandsburton, salary to agent and receiver, and including allowance for education of certain poor children at Brandsburton</td><td style="text-align: right;">479</td><td style="text-align: right;">7</td><td style="text-align: right;">8</td></tr> <tr> <td>Salary to the master and matron of the hospital, and assistants</td><td style="text-align: right;">230</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td></tr> <tr> <td>Stipend of 20<i>l.</i> per annum to each of the 10 poor men and 10 poor women, residing in the hospital</td><td style="text-align: right;">400</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ditto of 10<i>l.</i> each to 5 poor men and 5 poor women, out-pensioners of ditto</td><td style="text-align: right;">100</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td></tr> <tr> <td>Expense of the maintenance of 20 poor boys and 20 poor girls, residing in the said hospital, being an addition of 20 poor children, and for school books, &amp;c.</td><td style="text-align: right;">642</td><td style="text-align: right;">18</td><td style="text-align: right;">3</td></tr> <tr> <td>Necessary disbursements for coals, clothing, medicines, &amp;c.</td><td style="text-align: right;">291</td><td style="text-align: right;">1</td><td style="text-align: right;">1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Taxes and insurance of the hospital at Westminster</td><td style="text-align: right;">43</td><td style="text-align: right;">11</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td></tr> <tr> <td>Premiums paid on apprenticing of the children</td><td style="text-align: right;">35</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td></tr> <tr> <td>Repairs of the hospital</td><td style="text-align: right;">505</td><td style="text-align: right;">8</td><td style="text-align: right;">-</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sundry incidental charges and expenses</td><td style="text-align: right;">75</td><td style="text-align: right;">17</td><td style="text-align: right;">3</td></tr> </table>		£.	s.	d.	Expense of repairs, drainage, &c. of the estate at Brandsburton, salary to agent and receiver, and including allowance for education of certain poor children at Brandsburton	479	7	8	Salary to the master and matron of the hospital, and assistants	230	-	-	Stipend of 20 <i>l.</i> per annum to each of the 10 poor men and 10 poor women, residing in the hospital	400	-	-	Ditto of 10 <i>l.</i> each to 5 poor men and 5 poor women, out-pensioners of ditto	100	-	-	Expense of the maintenance of 20 poor boys and 20 poor girls, residing in the said hospital, being an addition of 20 poor children, and for school books, &c.	642	18	3	Necessary disbursements for coals, clothing, medicines, &c.	291	1	1	Taxes and insurance of the hospital at Westminster	43	11	-	Premiums paid on apprenticing of the children	35	-	-	Repairs of the hospital	505	8	-	Sundry incidental charges and expenses	75	17	3	<p>-- The rental of the lands having increased beyond the amount required for carrying into effect the intentions of the donor, an Act of Parliament was obtained (A. D. 1795) to empower the Lord Mayor and Aldermen to extend and increase the objects of the charity.</p> <p>-- In paying annually 27 poor soldiers and 27 poor seamen, 4<i>l.</i> each, nominated by the several Aldermen and the representative of the Langham family, who have two nominations each.</p>
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<p><b>Langhams Charity:</b></p> <p>£. 7,000 Reduced Three per Cent. Annuities, standing in the names of the trustees for the Corporation; viz. the Chamberlain, Town Clerk and Comptroller of the Chamber.</p>	<p>-- Sir John Langham, formerly of Cottesbrooke, in the county of Northampton, baronet, having, by his will, dated the 31st of August 1764, bequeathed, in trust, to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the city of London, 6,000<i>l.</i> out of his stock in the New South Sea Annuities, the administrators of the said will refused to transfer the said stock, on the discharge proposed to be given by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen; and an application was made to the Court of Chancery, which Court, in 1771, decreed the payment of the said bequest, and interest thereon, which enabled the Lord Mayor and Aldermen to purchase 7,000<i>l.</i> in the Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, to defray the expense of the application to the Court of Chancery, and to distribute 205<i>l.</i> 12<i>s.</i> 2<i>d.</i> among fifty poor seamen.</p>	<p>-- Towards raising a fund for the relief of poor distressed soldiers and seamen, and their families.</p>																																													
<p><b>Robert Bertie's Gift:</b></p> <p>£. 60. in money</p>	<p>Paid into the Chamber in the year 1678.</p>	<p>-- To pay for ever 3<i>l.</i> per annum to the vicar of Barking, in Essex, and the churchwardens of Great Ilford ward, towards placing out poor children apprentice.</p>	<p>-- Paid jointly to the minister of Barking, and the churchwardens of Great Ilford.</p>																																												

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<b>Lady Catherine Barnardiston's Gift:</b>			
£. 100 in money - -	Paid into the Chamber in the year 1660.	- - For preaching three sermons to the condemned prisoners in Newgate.	- - £. 6 per annum paid to the ordinary of Newgate for such service, in addition to his salary.
<b>Sir Thomas Gresham's Bequest:</b>			
A moiety of the rental of the pawns shops, cellars, vaults, &c. of the Royal Exchange, London; and a moiety of the annuity rent of the site of the Excise Office, producing together 3,094 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> per annum. <i>Note.</i> —The other moiety was bequeathed to the Worshipful Company of Mercers, London, for other purposes.	By will, bearing date the 5th day of July 1575.  appointed by the Mayor and commonalty and citizens of London, meet to read lectures of Divinity, Astronomy, Music and Geometry, within his dwelling-house, in the parishes of St. Helen's, Bishopsgate-street, and St. Peter-le-Poor, in the city of London, 200 <i>l.</i> for every of the said readers 50 <i>l.</i> To give the sum of 53 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> yearly unto eight almsfolk, whom the said Mayor and Corporation should appoint to inhabit his eight almshouses in the parish of St. Peter-le-Poor, viz. 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> each. And further, to give and distribute to the relief of poor persons and prisoners in the prisons of Newgate, Ludgate, the King's Bench, the Marshalsea and Wood-street Compter, 50 <i>l.</i> in money, or other provisions or necessities for them; viz. to each prison, 10 <i>l.</i>	- - To give and distribute annually for the sustentation, maintenance and finding of four persons, to be from time to time chosen and	- - The Royal Exchange having been destroyed at the Fire of London, it was rebuilt at the joint expense of the Corporation of London and the Company of Mercers, which occasioned an outlay, including 7,017 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> for the purchase of additional ground, of nearly 66,000 <i>l.</i> The Corporation of London, to effect their proportion of this work, advanced in the years 1668–1672, the sum of 26,700 <i>l.</i> , of which 6,700 <i>l.</i> only has been repaid, leaving a debt due to them of 20,000 <i>l.</i> with interest thereon, from Christmas 1708. The will of Sir Thomas Gresham was confirmed by an Act of Parliament passed in the 23d of Elizabeth, c. 5; and in 1768 an Act was passed (8 Geo. 3, c. 32),
		to carry into execution an agreement for purchasing Gresham College, and other purposes. The recent general repair of the Royal Exchange has occasioned a further advance, which the future surpluses of income is expected to repay. The expenditure of this trust for the year ending 10th October 1732, may be considered as an average charge; viz.	
			£. s. d. To the four lecturers on Divinity, Geometry, Astronomy and Music, 100 <i>l.</i> per annum each. (50 <i>l.</i> per annum having been directed to be paid to them under the Act 8 Geo. 3, in lieu of their apartments in Gresham College) 400 - - To eight almsmen, 26 <i>l.</i> per annum each - 208 - - For 20 tons of coals for ditto - - 34 - - For clothing, linen, &c. for said almsmen - 72 8 3 For prisoners in five prisons - - 50 - - Repairs of Royal Exchange, almshouses, allowances to officers, and sundry expenses - 1,040 3 7 Interest on money advanced for the recent repair of the Royal Exchange - - 431 12 9
<b>Sir Martin Bower's Gift:</b>			
Rent-charge of 6 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> per annum, on certain premises given to the Governors of Christ's Hospital.	- - Paid into the Chamber by the Governors of Christ's Hospital; but the Corporation have no document how this charge was made.	- - From the earliest accounts in the possession of the Corporation, the said rent-charge appears to have been paid towards the repairing the conduits and conduit pipes of the city of London.	- - Since the disuse of the conduits, this sum has been applied to the general use of the city.
<b>Mrs. Margaret Simcott's Charity:</b>			
£. 200 in money - -	Paid into the Chamber in the year 1599.	- - For providing annually 260 dozen penny loaves, to be distributed weekly to the prisoners in the prisons of London and Southwark.	- - Two hundred and eighty-one dozen and a half of bread are delivered to the following prisons; viz. Newgate, the Poultry, Wood-street and Borough Compters, Ludgate, the King's Bench, Fleet
		and Marshalsea, at an expense of 14 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per annum.	
<b>Sir William Middleton's Charity:</b>			
£. 250 in money - -	Paid into the Chamber, date unknown.	- - On condition of paying 9 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> yearly to the prisoners in Ludgate, Poultry and Wood-street Compters.	- - In payment of 3 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> to the stewards of each of the said prisons annually.

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<b>Mr. Robert Smith's Gift:</b> £. 750 in money - -	-- Paid into the Chamber previously to the year 1610, but precise date unknown.	-- On condition of paying 26 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> per annum to the minister at Market Harborough, for preaching a weekly lecture in the chapel of the said town, and for the following purposes; viz. To the master of the free grammar school in the said town, per annum - - - - - 10 - - For bread for poor housekeepers of the said town - - - - - 3 18 - For seven copies of the Bible - - - - - 2 6 8 To the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, Oxford, for visiting - - - - - 1 - - To the clerk of the parish - - - - - 5 4 To the churchwardens of Market Harborough - 10 - For repairs of the school - - - - - 2 - -	-- These several payments are regularly made to the minister and master of the school, and to persons appointed to make the other payments.  £. s. d. - - - - - 10 - - - - - - - 3 18 - - - - - - 2 6 8 - - - - - 1 - - - - - - - 5 4 - - - - - 10 - - - - - - 2 - -
<b>Mr. Robert Rogers' Gift:</b> £. 600 in money, and 30 <i>l.</i> and five marks.	-- Paid into the Chamber by the executors, they adding the 30 <i>l.</i> and five marks.	-- For building an almshouse in the city of London for six aged couple, and paying to them 24 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- Almshouses were built by the Corporation in Hart-street, Cripplegate, and contain six aged married couple (being freemen and their wives), nominated by the Court of Aldermen, and 4 <i>l.</i> per annum is paid to each couple.— The repairs of the almshouses are borne by the Corporation.
<b>John Curzons' Gift:</b> £. 100 in money - -	Paid into the Chamber in the year 1629.	-- For payment of 5 <i>l.</i> per annum to the churchwardens of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, for providing clothing for poor widows of the said parish.	£. 5. paid annually to the churchwardens of the said parish.
<b>Sir John Leman's Gift:</b> £. 10 per annum, chargeable on three tenements or premises, formerly the Swan in Thames-street, and two other premises in Botolph-lane.	-- By will, dated 8th July 1631, 7th Charles the First.	-- To be laid out and expended upon learned preachers, for their better augmentation, who shall from time to time be called to preach at St. Paul's Cross, London.	
<b>Sir Thomas Russell's Gift:</b> £. 10 per annum, chargeable on certain premises in the possession of the Company of Drapers.	-- Paid into the Chamber by the Worshipful Company of Drapers.	-- To be applied towards the maintenance of preachers at St. Paul's Cross, not benefited.	-- No separate or distinct application of these several sums is made, but they are included in the annual sums appropriated by the Corporation in the payment to the several clergymen officiating at St. Paul's cathedral, amounting to nearly 100 <i>l.</i> per annum.
<b>George Bishop's Gift:</b> £. 10 per annum, chargeable on certain premises in the possession of the Company of Stationers.	-- Paid into the Chamber by the Worshipful Company of Stationers.	-- To be applied towards the payment of the preachers at St. Paul's Cross.	
<b>Robert Johnson's Gift:</b> Rent-charge of 13 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per annum upon the manor of Holcut, in the county of Bedford.	- - - - -	-- To be applied towards the payment of the preachers at St. Paul's Cross.	
<b>Henry Clark's Charity:</b> Two rent-charges of 10 <i>l.</i> per annum each, on premises in Whitecross-street, London.	-- The said premises in Whitecross-street were purchased by the Corporation, subject to the said rent-charges.	-- One of the said rent-charges to be paid to the rector and churchwardens of St. Peter, Berkhamstead, in the county of Herts, to be distributed to five poor housekeepers of the said parish; and the other rent-charge to be paid to the rector and churchwardens of the parish of St. Sepulchre, London, to be distributed to five poor housekeepers of that parish.	-- By annual payments to the rector and churchwardens of the said parishes of St. Peter, Berkhamstead, Herts, and St. Sepulchre, London.

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Description of the Charitable Funds or other Property, in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the Corporation.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which the same are now distributed and applied.
<i>Abigail Malpas's Charity :</i> Rent-charge of 1 l. per annum, on premises in Three Leg-court, Whitecross-street.	-- This property was purchased by the Corporation, subject to the said rent-charge.	-- To be paid to the rector of the parish of Lower Heyford, Oxfordshire, for the poor of the said parish.	Paid to the rector of the parish of Lower Heyford.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*London.*

## ALDERMEN.

Sir Watkin Lewes, Knight	- - - -	Barrister at Law.
Sir William Curtis, Baronet	- - - -	Merchant and Banker.
Sir John William Anderson, Baronet	- - - -	Merchant.
Harvey Christian Combe, Esquire	- - - -	Brewer.
Sir Richard Carr Glyn, Baronet	- - - -	Banker.
Sir John Eamer, Knight	- - - -	Wholesale Grocer.
Sir Charles Price, Baronet	- - - -	Oil Merchant.
Sir John Perring, Baronet	- - - -	Merchant and Factor.
Sir James Shaw, Baronet	- - - -	Merchant.
Sir William Leighton, Knight	- - - -	Ship Owner.
John Ansley, Esquire	- - - -	Merchant.
Sir Charles Flower, Baronet	- - - -	Provision Merchant.
Thomas Smith, Esquire	- - - -	Wine Merchant.
Joshua Jonathan Smith, Esquire	- - - -	Sugar Baker.
Sir Matthew Bloxam, Knight	- - - -	Wholesale Stationer and Banker.
Sir Claudius Stephen Hunter, Baronet	- - - -	{ Attorney and Solicitor, but for some years past a Barrister at Law.
George Scholey, Esquire	- - - -	Hop Merchant.
Sir William Domville, Baronet	- - - -	Stationer.
Samuel Birch, Esquire	- - - -	Cook.
Matthew Wood, Esquire	- - - -	Hop Merchant.
Christopher Smith, Esquire	- - - -	Wine Merchant.
John Atkins, Esquire	- - - -	Merchant and Ship Owner.
Samuel Goodbehere	- - - -	Gold and Silversmith.
Christopher Magnay, Esquire	- - - -	Wholesale Stationer.
George Bridges, Esquire	- - - -	Wine Merchant.
Sir William Heygate, Baronet	- - - -	Merchant and Banker.
Robert Albion Cox, Esquire	- - - -	Gold and Silver Refiner and Banker.
John Thomas Thorp, Esquire	- - - -	Manchester Warehouseman.
Robert Waithman, Esquire	- - - -	Linendraper.
Richard Rothwell, Esquire	- - - -	Manchester Warehouseman.
John Garratt, Esquire	- - - -	Wholesale Tea-dealer.
William Venables, Esquire	- - - -	Wholesale Stationer.
Anthony Brown, Esquire	- - - -	Attorney and Solicitor,
Matthias Prime Lucas, Esquire	- - - -	Ship Owner and Wharfinger.
William Thompson, Esquire	- - - -	Merchant and Iron-master.
Sir John Key, Baronet	- - - -	Wholesale Stationer.
John Crowder, Esquire	- - - -	Printer and Publisher.
Sir Peter Laurie, Knight	- - - -	{ Saddler and Army Contractor; but out of business for some years past.
Charles Farebrother, Esquire	- - - -	Land Surveyor and Auctioneer.
Henry Winchester, Esquire	- - - -	Stationer.
William Taylor Copeland, Esquire	- - - -	Merchant and Potter.
Thomas Kelly, Esquire	- - - -	Bookseller and Publisher.
John Cowan, Esquire	- - - -	Oil Merchant and Wax Chandler.
Samuel Wilson, Esquire	- - - -	His Majesty's Harbinger.
William Hughes Hughes, Esquire	- - - -	Barrister at Law.
Sir Chapman Marshall, Knight	- - - -	Wholesale Grocer.
James Harmer, Esquire	- - - -	Attorney and Solicitor.

## RECORDERS.

Sir John Silvester, Baronet	- - - -	Barrister at Law.
Newman Knowlys, Esquire	- - - -	Barrister at Law.

Guildhall, London, 1 March 1833.

Henry Woodthorpe, Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF LOSTWITHIEL.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

No.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	ANNUAL RENT.	HOW ACQUIRED.	HOW APPLIED.
		£. s. d.		
	CHIEF RENTS - - - - -	5 13 10	-- By conveyance, dated the 30th Sept. 1816, the Earl of Mount Edgcumbe, who had purchased the borough and chief rents from the Duchy of Cornwall, conveyed the same to the mayor and burgesses of Lostwithiel.	-- To any purposes which the Corporation may please to apply it.
	CONVENTIONARY RENTS:			
1	Dwelling-house - - (Nevil Norway, lessee) -	- 10 4		
2	Ditto - - (Adam Thompson, ditto) -	- 4 8		
3	Ditto - - (John Rogers Whetter) -	- 8 4		
4	Ditto - - (Mr. Daniel) - - -	- 13 4		
5	Ditto - - (Joseph Philp) - - -	- 1 -		
6	Ditto - - (Mr. Bower) - - -	- 8 4		
7	One Meadow, called St. } (Executors of Miss Sperton)	- 6 8		
8	George's Park - - -			
9	One Meadow - - - (Executors of R <sup>d</sup> Elliott) -	- 7 4		
10	One Orchard - - - (Ditto) - - -	- 5 -		
11	House and Garden - - (John Bennett) - - -	- 6 -		
12	Meadow - - - (W <sup>m</sup> Solomon) - - -	- 1 -		
13	Padgett's Quay - - (R <sup>d</sup> Foster's Executors) -	- 2 -		
14	House - - - (W <sup>m</sup> Hicks) - - -	- 3 6		
15	House and Garden - - (Peter Triggs) - - -	- 1 4		
16	House - - - (Simon Bone) - - -	- 8 -		
17	Ditto - - - (R <sup>d</sup> Beckerleg's Executors) -	- 1 -		
18	Orchard - - - (Ditto) - - -	- 5 -		
19	Houses on the Moor - (John Reed) - - -	- 5 -		
20	Ditto, and Coach-house, } (Tho' Hugo's Assignees)	- 1 -		
21	late Durat's - - -	- 10 6		
22	Orchard in Galbert's-lane (John Westlake) -	- 10 -		
23	Dwelling-house - - (John Philp) - - -	- 1 -		
24	Ditto on the Moor - (John Knight) - - -	- 4 -		
25	Addition to ditto - - (Ditto) - - -	- 5 -		
	Pigs-houses in Bodmin Hill (Ditto) - - -			
	Dwelling-house and Garden (Abraham Wellington)			
	RACK RENTS:			
26	Poldew - - - (John Hawken, tenant) -	38 - -		
27	Fowey Harbour Dues - - -	30 - -		
28	- - - (John Hawke) - - -	18 - -		
29	House, late Bennett's - (Ja <sup>s</sup> Dewen) - - -	3 3 -		
30	Orchard - - - (Mr. Lanyon) - - -	1 10 -		
31	House and Garden - - (John Hambly) - - -	7 7 -		
32	Dwelling-house - - (Mr. Littleton) - - -	4 - -		
33	Garden - - - (Rev. Mr. Avery) - - -	1 5 -		
34	Terrace Hill - - - (P. Carusew) - - -	- - -		
35	Plot above ditto - - (Ditto) - - -	- 5 -		
36	A Field - - - (Nich <sup>s</sup> Netherton) - - -	3 5 -		
37	Plot on the Moor - - (Reed & Co.) - - -	- 6 -		
38	Garden in Bodmin Hill - (Sanders) - - -	- 7 6		
39	Mr. White's Charity Bread } Paid by the Mayor of Ply-	3 - -		
40	Money - - - } mouth - - -	- 1 -		
41	Watering Pond - - - (John Westlake) - - -	- 10 6		
42	Store-room in the Market (R <sup>d</sup> Beckerleg's Executors) -	- 8 -		
43	Garden - - - (Simon Bone) - - -	- 1 -		
44	Shade, Linney or Pigs-house (R <sup>d</sup> Hawken) - - -	1 11 6		
45	Field - - - (P. T. Pomeroy, Esq.) -	1 1 -		
46	Orchard - - - (Ditto) - - -	3 12 6		
47	Field - - - (Tho <sup>s</sup> Foster, Esq. -	- 10 -		
48	Garden - - - (A. Wellington) - - -	- 2 6		
49	Ditto - - - (W <sup>m</sup> Wellington) - - -	- 6 -		
50	Ditto - - - (John Lewis) - - -	2 10 -		
51	Field - - - (W <sup>m</sup> Hicks) - - -	8 - -		
52	House and Courtlage - (John Saunders) - - -	- 6 -		
53	Linhay and Pigs-house - (John Marshall) - - -	- 1 -		
54	Plot - - - (Nicholas Olver) - - -	- 4 -		
55	Pigs-houses - - - (John Knight) - - -	- 1 -		
56	Plot - - - (John Nicholls) - - -	10 - -		
57	Tolls of Fairs and Markets - - -	5 - -		
	Quay Dues - - -			
			-- A Bill in Chancery, dated 29th Nov. 1603, filed by the mayor of Lostwithiel and others against Walter Kendall and others, state, that Lostwithiel had been, from time immemorial, a borough; and that the mayor and burgesses of the same had, from time immemorial, held the said borough, together with divers messuages and lands, still called the Town Lands. These Town Lands are, with the exception of Nos. 27, 39, 56 and 57, the lands referred to in this Bill in Chancery.	-- The income derived from these "Town Lands" have been applied to the good of the town of Lostwithiel, being the object to which, by the said Bill in Chancery, the said income was applicable. The particular purposes to which the same has, from time to time, been applied, are: 1st. The repair of the church. 2d. The repair of the highways and bridge. 3d. Relief of prisoners. 4th. Relief of the poor. 5th. Payment of salaries to the town officers. 6th. Charitable education.
			-- Mem.—The property to No. 25 (inclusive) is let on leases for lives. The property is generally of greater annual value than the rents reserved on these leases, but the improved and rack value cannot be ascertained until the expiration of the leases.	-- Applicable to any purpose the Corporation please:
			-- It is believed that an old charter of Rich. I. vested this in Corporation - - -	-- Applicable to any purpose the Corporation please.
			{ Bond, dated 26 June 1584	{ Expended in bread given to the poor
			-- It is believed that an old charter vested these franchises in the Corporation - - -	-- Applicable to any purpose the Corporation please.

Deeble Boger, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Louth*.

MAGISTRATES' NAMES.	Municipal Office.	Trade and Profession.	Years in which they acted.
Earl of Mount Edgcumbe - - -	- - -	- - -	{ 1812, and every year to 1833.
Philip Fingcombe Pomeroy - - -	Deputy Mayor -	Esquire -	1812
Nevill Norway - - -	Justice -	Gentleman -	1812
John Hext - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1813
Thomas Hext - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire -	1813
Viscount Valletort - - -	Justice -	- - -	1813
Thomas Hext - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1814
John Hext - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1814
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1815
Thomas Hext - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1815
Charles Rashleigh - - -	Mayor -	Attorney-at-law -	1816
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1816
Richard Foster - - -	Mayor -	Banker -	1817
Charles Rashleigh - - -	Justice -	Attorney-at-law -	1817
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1818
Richard Foster - - -	Justice -	Banker -	1818
John Hext - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1819
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1819
Viscount Valletort - - -	Mayor -	- - -	1820
P. T. Pomeroy - - -	Deputy Mayor -	Esquire -	1820
John Hext - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1820
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1821
Viscount Valletort - - -	Justice -	- - -	1821
Richard Foster - - -	Mayor -	Banker -	1822
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1822
John Hext - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1823
Richard Foster - - -	Justice -	Banker -	1823
John Boger - - -	Mayor -	Attorney-at-law -	1824
John Hext - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1824
Richard Foster - - -	Mayor -	Banker -	1825
John Boger - - -	Justice -	Attorney-at-law -	1825
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1826
Richard Foster - - -	Justice -	Banker -	1826
John Hext - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1827
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1827
John Bower - - -	Mayor -	Clergyman -	1828
John Hext - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1828
Viscount Valletort - - -	Mayor -	- - -	1829
John Bower - - -	Justice -	Clergyman -	1829
William Burgess - - -	Mayor -	Apothecary -	1830
Viscount Valletort - - -	Justice -	- - -	1830
John Boger - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1831
William Burgess - - -	Justice -	Apothecary -	1831
Philip T. Pomeroy - - -	Mayor -	Esquire -	1832/1833
John Boger - - -	Justice -	Esquire -	1832/1833
John Hext - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire -	1832/1833

Deeble Boger, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LOUTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1st. As to the Free Grammar School in Louth, founded by King Edward the Sixth, by royal charter, dated the 21st day of September, in the fifth year of his reign, whereby the Corporation of Louth was created by the name of "Warden and Six Assistants of the Town of Louth and Free School of King Edward the Sixth, in Louth."

By the aforesaid charter, divers lands in Louth and other places in the county of Lincoln, which then lately belonged to the late *Chantry of the Holy Trinity in Louth*, and divers other lands there, and the Bede House in Louth, which then lately belonged to the late *Guild of the Holy Trinity of Louth*, and divers other lands there, which then lately belonged to the late *Guild of St. Mary in Louth*, and divers other lands in Grainthorpe and Somercotes, which then lately belonged to the late *Guild of the Blessed Mary in Grainthorpe*; and also the rents and profits of the said lands, and of the fairs and markets in Louth, and all and all manner of tolls, customs, picages, stallages, and other profits and emoluments from the fairs and markets held there, were granted to the said warden and six assistants, and their successors, for ever, all which several premises were thereby declared then to extend to the clear yearly value of 40*l.*; and by the said charter, John Goodall was appointed the

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first or modern master, or pedagogue, of the free school aforesaid, for the term of his life, and to have 20*l.* yearly of the issues and revenues of the lands, &c. before granted; and Roger Bonus was thereby appointed the under master of the free school aforesaid for the term of his life, and to have 10*l.* yearly out of the said issues and revenues. And as often as the said offices of master and usher happen to be vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, then within one month next ensuing such vacancy, the said warden and assistants are to name and present to the Bishop of Lincoln for the time being another fit and learned person, and they or he by them as aforesaid so named and admitted by the bishop, shall be admitted to the execution of the office of master and usher for the term of life. And it was by the said charter also ordained, that the said warden and six assistants, and their successors, for ever, should sustain, feed and maintain, out of the issues and revenues of the said lands and tenements, and other the premises, *twelve poor persons*, to continue for ever, in like manner and form as they were theretofore sustained, fed and maintained by the late Guild of Saint Mary within the said town, and the Guild of the Holy Trinity there then dissolved; and after the death of any such poor person, another from time to time to be put in the place of the deceased within one month, so as there shall be always 12 in number.

During the year from Pentecost 1831 to 1832 :

Amount of rental of messuages, lands, tolls, stallages and other property granted by King Edward the Sixth (including 119 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> the net proceed from the sale of gravel found upon the estate), after deducting the various sums disbursed for land-tax, assessments for drainage rates, repairs of buildings, expense of collecting rents and other outgoings - - - - -	£. s. d. 685 14 8
[The bed of gravel is of small extent, and it is not expected that it will do more than liquidate a debt, of which 180 <i>l.</i> remains, and which was borrowed for the purpose of erecting a barn, stables and various new buildings upon part of the trust property, and for the permanent improvement thereof at a time when the granting of leases and taking a fine would have been injurious to the <i>cestui que</i> trust.]	
Deduct amount paid in part liquidation of 220 <i>l.</i> which remained at the last audit, of the loan obtained for the purpose of erecting barn, stables and other buildings, upon and for the permanent improvement of the trust estates - - -	40 - -
Net balance of - - - - -	£. 645 14 8
Distributed and paid as under :	
To the head master of the said school two fourth parts, or - - -	£. 322 17 4
To the under master of the said school one-fourth part, or - - -	161 8 8
To the 12 poor persons residing in the Bede Houses the remaining one-fourth part, or - - - - -	161 8 8
	645 14 8

The above division of the rents and proceed of the estates granted by the aforesaid charter has been made uniformly during the last 100 years and upwards.

2dly. As to estates derived from the charter granted by Queen Elizabeth, in the sixth year of her reign.

Amount of rental of messuages, lands and hereditaments granted to the said warden and six assistants, to the proper use and behoof of them the warden and assistants and their successors for ever, in fee farm, rendering to the Queen, her heirs and successors, 84 <i>l.</i> per annum for all other rents, services and demands whatsoever for the future; the various disbursements for fee-farm rent, land tax, rates for drainage, repairs of buildings, expense of collecting rents, and other payments being deducted therefrom - - - - -	£. s. d. 816 10 -
Deduct further the rent-charge payable to the poor of North Somercotes - - - - -	£. 5 4 -
Payment to the churchwardens of Louth, under Anthony Acham's will - - - - -	5 - -
Corporation bailiff, his salary - - - - -	3 6 8
The high steward's ditto - - - - -	1 6 8
The town clerk's ditto - - - - -	1 9 6
Annuities payable pursuant to bonds given on borrowing money for rebuilding houses, erecting sessions house, making turnpike roads, &c. - - - - -	292 17 6
Annual subscriptions towards the support of the police establishment, the public dispensary, national schools, benevolent society, and other public institutions - - - - -	56 9 -
Annual payment of 10 <i>s.</i> each to 20 poor persons, pursuant to the will of Isabella Phillipson - - - - -	10 - -
Allowance to the warden towards meeting the expenses contingent upon his official situation as chief magistrate of the town - - -	50 - -
	425 13 4
Surplus disposable by the warden and six assistants - - - - -	£. 390 16 8

The surplus is applied in promoting public improvements, subscriptions for national or local purposes, in the extraordinary disbursements for repairs and rebuilding of messuages, &c. upon the estates, and incidental payments.

3dly. As

3dly. As to payment of 5 *l.* per annum, issuing out of lands in Aisterby and Golceby, in the county of Lincoln, formerly belonging to Anthony Acham, and now the estate of Sigismund Trafford Southwell, Esquire.

The above payment is secured by a rent-charge, granted to the said warden and assistants, and their successors, by the will of *Anthony Acham*, of Holborn, London, gentleman, dated the 27th June 1638, to be bestowed in wheaten bread yearly to the poor people in the town of Louth, and the same has been regularly received from the said estates, and distributed through the medium of the churchwardens of Louth, in bread to such poor.

4thly. As to an annual payment of 5 *l.* 4 *s.* to the poor of North Somercotes, in the county of Lincoln.

It is not now known under what obligation the warden and six assistants originally paid the above sum to the use of the poor of North Somercotes; but the copy of a grant from them, dated 12th October, 20th Charles II. to Francis Kendall the elder, and others, their heirs and assigns, for ever, is found amongst their documents, whereby they charge all those thir lands, which were formerly of Richard Hardy, of London, leather-seller, with the payment of 5 *l.* 4 *s.*, to be distributed amongst the poor people inhabiting and dwelling in the town or parish of North Somercotes; and such sum has been duly paid, there can be little doubt, from the date of such rent-charge, as the same appears in accounts nearly 100 years old.

5thly. As to the payment of 10 *s.* each to 20 poor widows or single persons in Louth.

*Isabella Phillipson*, by her will, dated the 9th July 1801, bequeathed to the Corporation of Louth the sum of 200 *l.*, the interest thereof to be given at Christmas to 20 poor widows or single people, 10 *s.* each, as they shall think proper objects.

The testatrix died soon afterwards, and the 200 *l.* was carried to the Corporation account, and they have yearly distributed 10 *s.* each to 20 poor persons.

6thly. As to other funds at the disposal of the said warden and assistants.

The only other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation consists of the sum of 415 *l.*, mortgage of the tolls upon the Louth turnpike, yielding a dividend of 2 *l.* per cent. during the last year; 230 *l.*, mortgage of the tolls upon the Wragby turnpike, yielding four per cent. during the last year; and 180 *l.*, advanced by them out of the rents payable from Queen Elizabeth's rental to the trust, under King Edward's charter, towards the expense of erecting buildings for the permanent improvement of the trust estate, and which loan is to be repaid by annual instalments.

The interest payable on the above is appropriated in like manner as the rents arising from the estates granted by the charter of Queen Elizabeth. The monies were advanced upon such mortgages by the Corporation to promote the improvement of the town and neighbourhood, by obtaining good roads there.

The above-mentioned charters of King Edward the Sixth and Queen Elizabeth were ratified and confirmed by a charter granted to the said warden and six assistants by his Majesty King James the First, in the third year of his reign; by another charter of the same King, granted in the fifth year of his reign, and by a charter granted by his late Majesty King George the Fourth, in the tenth year of his reign.

Louth, 23d February 1833.

*Fred. Lucas*, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Louth*.

Richard Codd	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
Mr. William Wilson	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Mr. William King	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Mr. Thomas B. Phillips	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Mr. Samuel Carter Pettener	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
David Lloyd	-	-	-	-	Esquire, a Post Captain R. N., also Deputy Lieutenant and a County Magistrate.
John Fytche	-	-	-	-	Esquire, a Deputy Lieutenant and a County Magistrate.
William Allison	-	-	-	-	Merchant and Banker.
Langley Gace	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
Grantham Hodgson	-	-	-	-	Esquire, in the Commission of the Peace.
John Loft	-	-	-	-	Esquire, a Deputy Lieutenant.
Henry Pye	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
John Tatam Banks	-	-	-	-	Esquire, M. D.
Edward L'Oste	-	-	-	-	Esquire, M. D.

Louth, 23d February 1833.

*Fred. Lucas*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LYDD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Thomas Hart*, heretofore bailiff of the town of Lydd, by his will, dated 27th May 1557, gave all his other lands and tenements in Dengemarsch, in Lydd, unto John Strogle and seven others, of Lydd aforesaid, jurats, their heirs and assigns, for ever, to the use of Malym, his wife, for her life, and after her decease, the profits of one part of the said lands and tenements to be had to the use and behoof of the chamber of the town of Lydd for ever, and the yearly profits of one other part of the said lands and tenements to the use and behoof of the church of Lydd aforesaid, to be bestowed yearly about the reparations thereof, or such necessities as should be needful for the same church, for ever; and the third part of the profits of the said lands and tenements to the use and behoof of the poor people of the town of Lydd, to be distributed unto them at the discretion of the bailiff and jurats of Lydd for the time being, at two times of the year, by equal portions, for ever. And he willed, that two of the overlivers of the said John Strogle and others should make a feoffment of the said lands and tenements to eight of the jurats of the town then living, to the use and intents above said, and so to be used according to the uses above said from time to time for ever.

The estate consists of a dwelling-house and several pieces of meadow and pasture land, containing 50 acres and a half, and is let on lease from Michaelmas last, at the yearly rent of 7*l.* 10*s.* The rent is applied as directed by the will.

*John Kemp*, of Lydd, jurat, by his will, dated 24th October 1563, willed that his little tenement next adjoining his principal tenement should always from henceforth for ever be used for a dwelling-house for some honest poor body of Lydd to dwell in, and to be set in from time to time as occasion should serve, at the discretion of such as should be owner or dweller in his said principal tenement, and by the oversight and consent of the bailiff and jurats of Lydd aforesaid for the time being; and that such honest poor body should dwell freely therein, without paying any ferme for the same. And he willed that such as should be heirs or owners of his principal tenement should keep the reparations of the same little tenement; and if it at any time run to ruin after sufficient warning by the bailiff and jurats of Lydd for the time being, it should be lawful for them or the chamberlain to enter his principal tenement and distrain for so much in value as should be needful to repair the said little tenement tenant-like.

The principal tenement referred to in the will, it is imagined, now belongs to Benjamin Cobb; and the little tenement to have stood on the site of the stable belonging to the principal tenement, and to have been removed to the south of the latter, on the Ripe, where it now stands, occupied by Edward Baker, a pauper of Lydd parish, rent free, and placed therein by the overseers.

*Clement Barling*, clerk of Ashford, by will, in 1688, devised out of lands and tenements in Dengemarsch, one annuity of 3*l.*, to be paid on the second Tuesday in November yearly, in the church of Lydd, into the hands of the bailiff or the churchwardens or overseers of the parish, in money and coarse cloth; 10*s.* of the money for a sermon to be preached on that day, and the other 10*s.* to be given to 20 poor people above the age of 40 years, who should be present at it, or to such as should be there, and for the cloth to be brought to church on that day, and distributed by the bailiff after service, for the clothes of two poor widows and four poor children of this parish, and if any was left, the same to be given to other poor. The heirs or owners of his lands to dispose of half the cloth to such as aforesaid whom they should nominate to the bailiff, &c., with liberty of distress, &c.

The poor yearly relieved are about 54.

The above estate is now the property of Miss Denne, and occupied by John Terry, and the money is applied according to the intent of the will, with the exception of the 10*s.* for the sermon, which is given by the clergyman for the benefit of the poor people.

*Mary Murray*, of Lydd, widow, by her will, dated 14th May 1829, gave to the bailiff, jurats and commonalty of the town of Lydd, and their successors, the sum of 100*l.* of lawful British money, and she directed that they should invest the same in the purchase of a competent share of the Parliamentary stocks or public funds of Great Britain, in their names, and apply the annual interest, dividends and proceeds thereof in purchasing bread of a good quality, to be distributed by their chamberlain on Christmas day yearly, before Divine Service in the morning, amongst such poor persons resident in and belonging to the said parish of Lydd, as to the said bailiff, jurats and commonalty, and their successors, shall appear most deserving, and in need of charity.

The 100*l.* has been laid out in the purchase of 100*l.*, Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Annuities, and the dividends have been appropriated as directed by the will, and bread distributed to about 47 poor persons annually.

## OTHER PROPERTY.

The Court Hall, the ground whereon the same is erected, was purchased by, and the building set up and paid for, by the Corporation.

The East Ripe or Common, supposed to have been acquired by ancient grant from one of the archbishops to the Corporation, is let on lease, in consideration of a premium of 315*l.*, and at the annual rent of 5*s.* to Samuel Finn, of Lydd, grazier, for 21 years from Michaelmas 1820.

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The West Ripe or Common is held by the Corporation of the Manor of Aldington, and an annual quit-rent of 8*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* is paid to William Deedes, the owner thereof; and such of the inhabitants as occupy their own houses have the privilege of putting four sheep on it.

Ground rents—annual amount, 2*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*

The proceeds of the Corporation property are applied, as far as they will extend, in the support and maintenance of the gaol and prisoners, and other purposes incident to the administration of justice, and the deficiency is raised, from time to time, by a general town rate.

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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Lydd*.

David Denne	-	-	-	Gentleman and Landowner (dead).
William Waylett	-	-	-	Surgeon (dead).
Benjamin Cobb	-	-	-	Gentleman, a Magistrate for the County of Kent.
Henshaw Russell	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Gilbert Robinson	-	-	-	Captain in the Army (dead).
David Deane	-	-	-	M. A., of Exeter College, Oxford, a Magistrate and Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Kent.
Charles James Burton	-	-	-	M. A., Vicar of Lydd.
John Robinson	-	-	-	Lieutenant in the Army, H. P.
William Vallance	-	-	-	M. A., Curate of Lydd.
John Maxsted	-	-	-	A retired Tradesman and Landowner.
Charles Rolfe	-	-	-	Grazier.

Lydd, 22d February 1833.

IV. Stringer, Town Clerk.

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CORPORATION OF LYME REGIS.

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CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation are in possession of no charitable funds.

The property in the possession of the Corporation consists of divers lands and tenements situate within the borough of Lyme Regis; the greater part whereof is leased for 99 years, determinable with the decease of three lives, under small conventional rents and heriots; and acquired by grant from King Charles the First, in the 10th year of his reign, upon condition of maintaining the pier and harbour, called the Cobb, and sea walls, and other tenements acquired by grants of individuals; the whole producing an income *communibus annis* of 230*l.*, subject to repairs and taxes.

The pier or cobb granted to the mayor and burgesses, with power to receive tolls or harbour dues for vessels with their cargoes entering the cobb, averaging about 450*l.* a year, to be applied to the maintenance of the cobb, but which is so very inadequate to the repairs of that building, which has suffered so much by repeated storms and tempests of the sea, that the Corporation have exhausted their funds on account of the repairs of the cobb and sea walls, and have been obliged to mortgage all their property for the preservation of the cobb, leaving a very inadequate provision to carry on the municipal government of the town.

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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Lyme Regis*.

Robert Clarke	-	-	-	Merchant.
Brian Coombe	-	-	-	Clerk (deceased).
John Donne	-	-	-	Esquire.
John Warren	-	-	-	Esquire.
William Peterson	-	-	-	Esquire.
John Chambers	-	-	-	Esquire, Collector of the Customs (deceased.)
William Pomroy Daniel	-	-	-	Esquire, Collector of the Customs.
Thomas Coulson Carpenter	-	-	-	Esquire, Doctor of Medicine.
Charles Marr	-	-	-	Esquire, Captain Half-pay 59th Regiment.
Thomas Brown Hardwicke	-	-	-	Esquire.
John Hussey	-	-	-	Esquire, the present Mayor of Lyme.

Lyme, 18th February 1833.

G. Smith, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LYMINGTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1. Of the charitable funds of the corporation or other property for charitable purposes?—None.

2. Other property in possession of the corporation :							£.	s.	d.
One labourer's cottage, annual value	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	-
One field - - - - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	12	-
Receipts for tolls of fairs and markets, less taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	10	-
Ditto - for town, quay and river dues	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	5	-
Balance of quit-rents, after payment of 7 l. 12 s. to the lord of the manor	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	-
							£.	78	1 -

Applied in the repairs of town-hall, market-place, market-stalls, stands for fairs, repairs of the town quay, booming the river, erection and preserving several mooring-posts for the coasting and other traders, together with 7 l. per annum for officers' salaries, &c.

3. The manner in which the same have been acquired?—Prescriptive rights.

4. The mode in which they are now distributed?—No distribution.

5. Names, professions and trades, who by virtue of their election to corporate offices have become magistrates, and acted as such during the last 20 years?—None.

N. B.—The whole amount of the corporation property has not hitherto been adequate for the above purposes, and has rendered donations necessary to supply the deficiencies.

15 February 1833.

James Brown, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF LYNN REGIS.

## CORPORATE FUNDS.

I, the undersigned, Frederick Lane, the town-clerk of King's Lynn, beg leave to report that I have, as carefully as the time will permit, examined the books containing the proceedings of the corporation of King's Lynn from the year 1569 to the present time, and I beg to submit the following as the most accurate result I have been enabled to obtain from that and other sources of information within my reach.

I find that there are five hospitals or almshouses subject to the order or disposition of this corporation, which are designated as under, viz.

1. The hospital of *St. Mary Magdalen*, in Gaywood, in the county of Norfolk, which contains 12 inmates, namely, a reader and 11 aged women.

2. The hospital or almshouse called *The Bede House*, or *St. James's Hospital*, near *St. James's End*, in King's Lynn, which contains 12 inmates, namely, a reader and 11 aged women.

3. The hospital or almshouse called *Framingham's Hospital*, in Broad-street, in King's Lynn, which contains 12 inmates, namely, a reader and 11 aged men.

4. The Wesleyan almshouse in King's Lynn, founded by Mr. *Benjamin Smith*, which contains only eight inmates, all of whom are aged women.

5. The hospital called *Valenger's Hospital*, in the parish of South Lynn, All Saints, within the borough of King's Lynn, which contains four inmates, all of whom are aged females.

*Gaywood Hospital.*

With respect to *Gaywood Hospital*, the revenues applicable to the support of its inmates are derived solely from an estate at East Lexham, in the county of Norfolk, under lease to the Lord Wodehouse, at the yearly rent of 40 l., from a small parcel of land at Great Dunham, in the same county, in the occupation of Robert Trundle, as tenant from year to year, at the rent of 7 l. 10 s., and from several parcels of land at Gaywood, let to different tenants from year to year at rents amounting together to the sum of 303 l. per annum, the whole of which rents are divided in equal shares between the inmates of this hospital weekly, under the orders of the mayor and aldermen of this borough, who were incorporated by charter in the reign of King James 1.

The inmates of this hospital are elected by a vote of the mayor and aldermen of King's Lynn, in council assembled.

And under the will, dated 21st November 1726, of *Robert Awborne*, formerly a merchant of this town, the reader of this hospital is entitled to the sum of 3 l., payable by the corporation on the Saturday before Easter Sunday, yearly, which payment is regularly continued down to the present time.

*St. James's Hospital.*

With respect to the hospital or almshouse called *The Bede House* or *St. James's Hospital*, I find that by will, dated 22d October 1623, *John Pierson*, of this town, carpenter, devised to the mayor and burgesses a messuage in a street then called Lath-street, but now called Nelson-street, "in trust to be sold, and for them out of the produce (amongst other things) to pay to the poor people in this almshouse 40 s., yearly, in the Lent season."

And

And I find that this payment has been continued from the death of the testator down to the present time.

I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Robert Awborne, dated 21st November 1726, he bequeathed to the mayor and burgesses the sum of 600 *l.*, upon trust (amongst other things) that they should. "yearly, some short time before Easter Sunday, pay into the hands of the governor of this hospital the sum of 3 *l.*, to be distributed amongst the poor people of this hospital as equally as can be, according to the number of the persons living therein, always allowing to the master one third more than the rest."

And I find that this payment has been continued from the death of the testator down to the present time.

I also find that by a codicil, dated 16th November 1740, to the will of *James Boardman*, esq., then senior alderman of this corporation, he gave to the corporation (amongst other things) the sum of 50 *l.*, "in trust to pay the reasonable interest thereof upon Christmas-day, for ever, amongst the poor widows" belonging to this hospital.

And I find that this payment has also been continued from the death of this testator down to the present time.

I also find that by will, dated 13th April 1753, *Sarah Dexter*, of this town, widow, gave to the mayor and burgesses 150 *l.*, "in trust to pay the interest of one moiety of 140 *l.*, part thereof, to the poor women living in this hospital (excepting always the reader there), in equal shares."

And I find that this payment has also been continued from the death of the testatrix down to the present time.

I also find that by a codicil, dated 1st September 1764, to the last will of *Martha Kett*, of this borough, widow, she gave to this hospital the sum of 300 *l.* "for the benefit of the poor there."

And I find that the corporation have since her death regularly paid the interest of this sum to the inmates of this hospital down to the present time.

I also find that by will, dated 26th July 1790, *Ann Carlton*, of this town, widow, gave to the mayor, aldermen and common council of this town, 300 *l.* stock, in the Three per cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, "upon trust to distribute the dividends thereof amongst the several widows who should for the time being after her death inhabit this almshouse, in equal shares, for the increase of their weekly payments."

And I find that the dividends of such part of this stock as remained after payment of the legacy-duty, have been regularly continued from the death of this testatrix down to the present time.

I also find that by will, dated 28th June 1802, *Elizabeth Bateman*, of this town, spinster, directed her executrix, immediately after the decease of her sister, to invest 500 *l.*, part of her personal property, in some of the public funds of this kingdom, upon trust and to the intent that (after the decease of the said executrix) the mayor and burgesses of this town should "apply the dividends and interest therefrom arising to and amongst the several poor women who should, after the decease of the said testatrix's sister and executrix, reside and be pensioners in this hospital and the Broad-street hospital, in equal shares, for the increase of their respective weekly payments or endowments."

And I find that this payment to St. James's Hospital has also been regularly continued from the death of this testatrix down to the present time.

I also find that by will, dated 28th March 1810, *Thomas Cooke*, of White Lion-street, Pentonville, in the county of Middlesex, esq., bequeathed to the mayor and burgesses of this town the sum of 2,300 *l.* Three per cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, "upon trust to apply the dividends and interest thereof, weekly, for the benefit and relief of the 12 poor almswomen and the reader for the time being residing within this hospital, by increasing the respective payments and endowments of the almswomen and reader in equal proportions."

And I find that the dividends of this stock have been regularly applied, pursuant to this will, ever since the stock was transferred into the name of the mayor and burgesses.

I also find that by an order of the mayor, aldermen and common council, made at a corporate meeting on the 11th March 1811 (after referring to "the report of a corporation committee appointed at a previous assembly, by which it appeared that the weekly sum of 4 *s.* 0  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* was then paid to the reader of this hospital, and the weekly sum of 2 *s.* 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* to each of the poor women, including all such donations, by will or otherwise, as were paid weekly; and after referring to a further report of the committee that the tablet in the chancel of St. Margaret's church, stating a gift by Mrs. Lonyson's will in 1603, for the benefit of this almshouse, was in this respect erroneous; and after referring to a further report of the same committee, that upon search among the corporation records it did not appear that there were any lands or tenements, or other revenues, specially appropriated in trust for this hospital), the chamberlain was directed, weekly, until order to the contrary, to pay to the reader and to each of the poor women belonging to this hospital the sum of 2 *s.* 6 *d.* out of the general revenues of this corporation, by way of additional weekly allowance to such reader and poor women respectively."

And I find that this additional allowance has been continued ever since the date of the order in question down to the present time.

*N. B.*—Mr. Cooke's legacy was not then payable.

And I also find that by an indenture, dated the 14th day of February 1833, *Thomas Oldmeadow*, of North Runciton, gentleman, (a native of this town, and who is still living,) declared the trusts of three several securities, each for 100 *l.*, given by him to this corporation, and directed that the same should be held by them "upon trust to pay the interest thereof (after his death) to and between the readers of the three almshouses, called respectively St. James's Almshouse, Framingham's Hospital and Valenger's Almshouse, by equal half-yearly payments or otherwise, as should be considered most advisable."

I have further to report, in connection with this hospital, that I have been unable to discover its original endowment, or any other facts relating to its revenues, except that in an account called The Rye Stock, made up to the 25th of October 1613, the stock is directed "to be always 600 *l.*, whereof 200 *l.* to be employed in rye, and the 400 *l.* to be let out at interest for the benefit of the poor, whereof the almshouses within the town are to be allowed 40 marks per annum;" and as the corporation have always advanced to this hospital more than 40 marks per annum since 1613, it is apprehended that such advance was intended to cover the reserved payment of 40 marks per annum.



But I also find that *Jane Mayes*, by her will (without any date, but probably made previously to the year 1650), "gave to the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn 30 *l.*, to be put forth by them yearly for ever, at loan or interest, as they should think fitting, and the loan or interest to be yearly bestowed upon clothing or apparelling four aged, godly and religious widows, such as the mayor and burgesses should think fitting, upon the 29th of September next after the decease of the testatrix two of the four, and the same day 12 months following the other two, and so those two several couples in order one after another every year so long as they should live; and when any die, new to be put into their rooms at the end of the year before mentioned, which is the time of their new clothing, and so to continue for ever."

And that the testatrix also gave to the said mayor and burgesses "10 *l.*, desiring that so much might be deducted out of the aforesaid 10 *l.* as amounted to the yearly interest of the above 30 *l.*, for the cloathing of the first two with pettycoats and wastcoats, viz. each of them a pettycoat and wastcoat."

And as a considerable sum is annually expended in coals for the widows in this hospital, I am induced to consider the same to be in satisfaction of this bequest.

*Framingham's Hospital.*

With respect to the hospital called *Framingham's Hospital* or Broad-street Hospital, I find that the same was erected in the year 1677, upon a piece of ground, part of a garden called Paradise Garden, belonging to the mayor and burgesses of this town, near a certain street called Broad-street.

And that by will, dated 12th April 1700, *Edward Robinson*, of this town, gentleman, "gave to his executors his capital messuage in Lath-street, in King's Lynn aforesaid, with the appurtenances, upon trust out of the rents thereof to pay his debts and legacies; and subject thereto the testator gave his said messuage, &c. to the mayor and burgesses of this town, upon trust to pay to the curate for the time being of King's Lynn aforesaid one annuity of 20 *s.* to preach a sermon in St. Margaret's church there upon the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, and to pay the like sum of 20 *s.* to the minister and churchwardens of Thornham for the time being, to be by them distributed as therein mentioned; and upon further trust to pay to such poor decayed seamen, or other decayed aged men who should be religious, and should have lived honestly in the world, as the mayor or aldermen and common council for the time being of King's Lynn aforesaid should think fit to elect, the sum of 10 *s.* a piece yearly during their natural lives; and after such payment, upon trust yearly to distribute the residue of the said rents to and amongst such 12 poor decayed persons as the said mayor, aldermen and common council should from time to time place in the then new-erected almshouses in Broad-street, in King's Lynn aforesaid, as part of an endowment to that charitable institution."

And I find that this house is now let for 20 *l.* per annum, and that the rent is regularly paid to the treasurers of this hospital, agreeably to the testator's will.

And I find that by will, dated 1st September 1704, *Henry Framingham*, esq., then one of the aldermen of this town, appointed the sum of 1,000 *l.* to be paid by his executors to the said mayor and burgesses, "for endowing the said hospital in Broad-street, for maintenance of 10 poor men, giving such security for performance of the same as his executors should think proper; and that the said testator thereby declared, that one of the 10 poor men to be placed in the said hospital should be chosen as a master, to read divine service among them twice every day, and should have 3 *l.* per annum allowed him more than any of the other of them; and the said testator did direct his executors to pay to the said mayor and burgesses the sum of 25 *l.*, to be paid annually to Mr. Thomas Pyle, the then lecturer of St. Nicholas chapel, during his continuance in that station, and after his departure to his successors for ever, who should not be chief minister of the parish, for preaching a sermon every Easter Tuesday in the afternoon, and reading the will publicly in the said chapel; 20 *s.* for the sermon and 10 *s.* for reading the will."

And I find that the said sum of 1,000 *l.* was duly paid to the said mayor and burgesses; and that the interest of the said sum of 25 *l.* hath been duly applied accordingly down to the present time.

And I find that by an indenture, dated 9th April 1714, duly inrolled in Chancery, and made between the said mayor and burgesses, of the one part, and Sir Peter Seaman, knight, and Dame Joan his wife, sole daughter, and heir and administratrix of the said Henry Framingham and Thomas Seaman, esq., son and heir-apparent of the said Sir Peter Seaman and Dame Joan his wife, and Robert Seaman, of the other part, "the said mayor and burgesses did found and establish the said house and buildings to be an hospital, maison de Dieu and abiding place for the receiving, finding sustentation and relief of 10 aged poor men, being inhabitants lawfully settled within the said parish of St. Margaret, to consist of one master and nine other poor men, and did direct the same to be incorporated by the name of the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of Henry Framingham, esq., in Paradise Garden, in King's Lynn, in the county of Norfolk."

And I also find that the said mayor and burgesses, in the year 1714, purchased an estate, consisting of a messuage and about 72 acres of land, situate at Setch and West Winch, in the said county, with the sum of 810 *l.* 15 *s.*, part of the said sum of 1,000 *l.* bequeathed by the said will of the said Henry Framingham, the rents of which estate now amount to 120 *l.* per annum, and are regularly applied towards the maintenance of the inmates of this hospital.

I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Robert Awborne, dated 21st November 1726, the inmates of this hospital are entitled to the like sum of 3 *l.*, to be distributed in the same manner as is expressed with respect to that donation in favour of St. James's Hospital; and that this payment has been continued from the death of the testator down to the present time.

And I also find that by an indenture, dated the 25th of September 1728, *John Goodwyn*, esq., one of the aldermen of this town, declared the trusts of a sum of 104 *l.*, given by him to the said mayor and burgesses, and directed that the same should be held by them to the intent that they should "pay to such poor decayed freeman or freemen of this borough as the said John Goodwyn should from time to time during his life appoint to be an inhabitant of that unendowed room or dwelling named Alderman Goodwyn's Room, which he endowed with 2 *s.* a week for a poor freeman for ever, with the appurtenances; and after his decease and the death or removal of such freeman, then to the intent that the said mayor and burgesses should pay to such other decayed freeman and freemen of this borough as should be elected into the said room by the mayor and aldermen of this borough the sum of 2 *s.* per week."

And

' And I find that the said payment has been regularly made by the said mayor and burgesses, from the date of the said indenture down to the present time.

I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Sarah Dexter, (dated 13th April 1753), the inmates of this hospital (except the reader), are entitled to a moiety of the interest of 140 *l.* bequeathed by her as in that will expressed, and that such payment has been regularly made from her death down to the present time.

And I also find that, in or about the month of February 1760, Mr. *George Hogg*, the elder, then one of the common council of this borough, paid to the said mayor and burgesses the sum of 105 *l.* upon trust that they should pay 2 *s.* a week for ever to a poor man to be placed in the room then unendowed in this hospital.

And that such last-mentioned weekly payment has been regularly made from the said month of February 1760 down to the present time.

And I also find that by will, dated the 26th June 1769, *William Pagan*, of the city of Norwich, schoolmaster, gave to this hospital the sum of 250 *l.*

And that at a corporate meeting of the mayor, aldermen and common council, held on the 21st December 1778, it was ordered "that the sum of 50 *l.*, part of the balance then in the hands of the treasurer, and 50 *l.*, part of the said 250 *l.*, be paid to the treasurers of Sir Thomas White's Charity, in discharge of the debt due to them from the said hospital; and that the said sum of 200 *l.* be laid out in the purchase of lands for the benefit of the said hospital; and that until such purchase could be made, this corporation should keep the sum of 200 *l.*, at interest at 5 *l.* per centum per annum, and that the interest thereof should be paid yearly by the chamberlain to the treasurer of this hospital, agreeable to the will of the said William Pagan."

And I find that the interest of this sum of 200 *l.* is regularly paid by the corporation at the present day.

And I also find that, on the 4th day of June 1784, *Philip Case*, esquire, then one of the aldermen of this town, gave to the mayor and burgesses of this town the sum of 200 *l.*, "with an intent that the interest and produce thereof, either in land rent, or as money at interest, might be applied as the corporation should from time to time direct, for the benefit of the poor men in the hospital."

And I find that the interest of this sum has been regularly paid by the corporation down to the present time.

And I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Ann Carlton (dated 26th July 1790), she gave "to the mayor, aldermen and common council of this borough, the sum of 230 *l.* stock (being other part of the said 2,248 *l.* 15 *s.* 3 *d.* stock in the Three per cent. Consols), upon trust to distribute the dividends of the said 230 *l.* to and amongst the several persons or paupers who should from the time being after her death inhabit this hospital, in equal shares, for the increase of their respective weekly payments or endowments for ever."

And I find that the dividends of this sum of 230 *l.* stock have been regularly applied, according to the said will, from the death of the testatrix down to the present time.

And I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Elizabeth Batemen (dated 28th June 1802), the inmates of this hospital are entitled to the other moiety of the interest of 500 *l.* stock (deducting 40 *l.* for legacy duty) bequeathed by her for distribution between them and the inmates of St. James's Hospital; and that such payment has, since her death, been regularly continued down to the present time.

And I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Thomas Cook, (dated 28th March 1810), the sum of 2,100 *l.* stock in the Three per cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, is bequeathed to the said mayor and burgesses, "upon trust to pay the dividends and interest thereof weekly, for the benefit of the 12 poor almsmen for the time living in this hospital, by increasing their respective payments and endowments in equal proportions."

And I find that the dividends of this stock have been regularly applied, according to the direction of this testator's will, ever since they came into the hands of the corporation.

1822, August 12.—I also find that by will, dated 12th August 1822, *Edward Everard*, of Middleton, esquire, one of the aldermen of this borough, gave to the said mayor and burgesses 200 *l.*, to be held by them "upon trust that the interest, dividends or annual produce thereof might be distributed yearly on St. Thomas's-day by the mayor, aldermen and common council of the said borough, among the poor of such of the wards within the same borough as should, in their judgment, most require the same;" with a proviso, "that if the said mayor and burgesses, or any private individual, should thereafter erect or endow any hospital in the said borough, for the benefit of aged or infirm men or women, the said mayor and burgesses should be at liberty to apply the said principal sum of 200 *l.* in augmentation of such endowment payable to the objects of the said charity, or by adding to the number of rooms in such hospital, or in such other way as should appear best calculated to promote the object of any such endowment as aforesaid."

And I find that the interest of this sum of 200 *l.* has been regularly distributed by the mayor, aldermen and common council, on St. Thomas's-day, to the inmates of this hospital, in augmentation of the existing endowment.

#### *The Wesleyan Hospital.*

With respect to the hospital called the *Wesleyan Hospital*, I find that, in the year 1828, Mr. *Benjamin Smith*, a native of this town, presented the corporation with a sum of about 150 *l.*, with which they purchased a small piece of land adjoining the site of St. James's Hospital. Upon this piece of land the corporation built the present almshouse, containing eight rooms, and a convenient dwelling-house, which is let to the most advantage; and since the death of Mr. Smith, which happened on the 28th December 1829, the rent has been regularly applied towards the maintenance of the inmates of the hospital.

I also find that by an indenture, dated 3d March 1829, Mr. *Benjamin Smith* declared the trusts of a further sum of 500 *l.* given by him to the mayor and burgesses for the endowment of this almshouse. These trusts are as follows; viz. To lay out the principal upon adequate securities, and to pay to the said Benjamin Smith, during his life, out of the interest of the said 500 *l.*, or failing such interest, then out of the principal, the annual sum of 25 *l.*; and after his death to pay and apply the income of this trust-fund, first, in discharging the expenses of preparing the trust-deed, next in repairing the buildings, and keeping them insured against damage by fire, and then to apply the residue of the income to and among the widows or other females who should for the time being be

selected objects of the said charity and inmates of the said almshouses, in equal shares, by regular weekly stipends or payments, or otherwise, as should be considered most advisable. With a proviso enabling the said mayor and burgesses, after the decease of the said Benjamin Smith, to withhold or suspend the payments of any weekly or other stipend payable to any of the objects of the said charity, in case of misconduct.

And I find that the interest of this trust-fund has also, since Mr. Smith's decease, been regularly applied towards the maintenance of the inmates of this almshouse.

#### *Valenger's Hospital.*

With respect to the hospital called *Valenger's Hospital*, in South Lynn, I do not find in the corporation books any account of its endowment. It appears that the building was erected in the year 1605, by Mr. *Valenger*, the then town-clerk of the borough, and that it was rebuilt in the year 1806, at the expense of Edmund Rolfe Elsdon, esquire, then one of the aldermen; but no part of the funds, if any, applicable by law to its support, is subject to the order or disposition of the mayor and burgesses, with the two exceptions I shall here notice.

The first exception is, that under the before-mentioned will of Thomas Cooke, esquire, dated the 22d March 1810, 700*l.* stock in the Three per cent. Consols was bequeathed to the mayor and burgesses, upon trust to pay the dividends and interest thereof weekly, for the benefit of the four almspeople for the time being living in this almshouse, by increasing their respective payments in equal proportions, which payment is regularly made to this day.

And the second exception is, that under the before-mentioned deed of gift of the said Thomas Oldmeadow, dated 14th February 1833, the reader of this hospital will, on the death of Mr. Oldmeadow, become entitled to the yearly interest of one of the three securities for 100*l.* each, by that deed vested in the corporation for the purposes therein expressed.

#### MISCELLANEOUS CHARITIES.

I also beg leave to report, that upon my examination of the books and documents belonging to the corporation of King's Lynn, I found accounts of several miscellaneous charities, the history of which I cannot better simplify than by classing them under the following heads: viz.

- First, Such as relate to Scholarships at the University of Cambridge;
- Secondly, Such as relate to Funds applicable solely to the object of placing out Apprentices;
- Thirdly, Such as relate to indiscriminate Objects.

And first, With respect to Charities relating to the Scholarships; I find,

##### *1. Titley's Exhibition.*

That *John Titley*, esquire, formerly of King's Lynn, deceased, did, by his will, dated 14th April 1585, express his intention to establish one scholarship or fellowship in Emanuel College (to be called Mr. Titley's Gift) in the University of Cambridge, and thereby directed that the scholar should be taken out of the grammar-school in King's Lynn; and that *Elizabeth*, the widow of the said John Titley, did by her will, dated 14th February 1595, give the sum of 130*l.* to this corporation, in trust to the intent that they should yield yearly to the said college the sum of 9*l.*, to maintain two scholars in the said university for ever; and that, by an indenture dated 27th October 1607, and made between the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn, of the one part, and the master, fellows and scholars of Emanuel College, in the University of Cambridge, of the other part (the corporation having agreed to grant to the said master, fellows and scholars, the yearly sum of 40*s.*, in addition to the benevolence of the said John Titley and Elizabeth his wife), it was covenanted between the said parties to the said indenture, that there should be within the said college, for ever, two several places or preferments, called Lynn Scholarships, or Mr. Titley's Scholarships, and that the said mayor and burgesses should thereafter choose, out of the scholars of the grammar-school of this town, two scholars, according to the true meaning of the two wills aforesaid, such as should be qualified according to the statutes of the said university, and send them to the said college, there to remain seven years after their admittance; and it was further covenanted that the said mayor and burgesses should pay 11*l.* a year to the college half-yearly, namely, 4*l.* to each of the scholars, 2*l.* to the master and fellows, and 1*l.* to the use of the said college; and that one moiety of all the arrears (if any) should be bestowed upon the scholars or scholar succeeding to any vacancy, and the other moiety upon the said college.

##### *2. Pierson's Exhibition.*

That *John Pierson*, of King's Lynn, carpenter, by his will, dated 22d October 1633, directed his executors to sell a messuage situate in a street formerly called Lathe-street, in King's Lynn, but now Nelson-street, and after bequeathing certain legacies out of the produce, gave the residue to the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn, to the intent that they should bestow for ever, in his name and remembrance of him, upon some poor scholar, from time to time yearly, which should go out of the grammar-school and live in any college in Cambridge, 40*s.* during the first seven years of his abiding there.

##### *3. Hall's Exhibition.*

That *Alexander Hall*, formerly of King's Lynn, merchant, by his will, dated 27th July 1507, gave a warehouse in New Conduit-street, in King's Lynn, to William Hall, of Newcastle, his cousin, his heirs and assigns, on condition to pay, in the south porch of St. Margaret's church, to the next poor scholar born in the same town that should go from thence to the University of Cambridge, to study there after his the said testator's decease, yearly 40*s.* per annum, for the term of seven years then next following, towards the maintenance of the said poor scholar, and so likewise for ever thereafter to any poor scholar successively born in the same town, and shall go from thence to the university aforesaid to study there, yearly, during the space of seven years, 40*s.*, with an executory limitation over of the said estate in favour of the said mayor and burgesses, in case of default of payment for 18 days after demand thereof by such poor scholar.

##### *4. Hopes'*

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That *Thomas Hopes*, formerly of North Runcton, clerk, by his will, dated 3d March 1616, gave to his brother, *Richard Hopes*, of King's Lynn, merchant, and to *Cuthbert Norris*, Doctor of Divinity, his uncle, and their heirs, one acre of land called *Thorne Bush*, in North Runcton, near the churchyard there, and several houses thereupon built, and one portion of tithes called *Nottley*, issuing out of lands in North Runcton, Middleton, and the advowson of North Runcton, to the intent to convey the same to the master, fellows and scholars of the college of the Holy and Undivided Trinity within the town and University of Cambridge, to the uses therein expressed.

And that by an indenture, dated the 19th of January 1653, and made between the said *Richard Hopes* (who had survived his co-trustee), of the one part, and the master, fellows and scholars of Trinity College aforesaid, of the other part, the said *Richard Hopes* conveyed the said devised hereditaments unto the said master, fellows and scholars and their successors, upon trust, among other things, to present one of their fellows to the parsonage of North Runcton aforesaid, who is to be under a condition yearly to pay for the said portion of tithes and acre of land, upon the 1st of January in every year, 11 *l.* 12 *s.* to the persons and in the manner thereafter expressed; namely, to the vice-master for the time being of the said college, the yearly sum of 3 *l.* 8 *s.* 8 *d.*, to be repaid and disbursed by him for the maintenance of one poor scholar to be brought up within the said college, allowing the said poor scholar 16 *d.* weekly during the space of five years next after he shall have been admitted; which said poor scholar should for ever be elected and chosen by the master and vice-master of the said college, or their deputies or assigns, and by the mayor of King's Lynn aforesaid for the time being, or the greater number of them, out of the poorest sort of the scholars in the free school of King's Lynn aforesaid, and of such as in their judgment should be most likely to prove profitable members in the church and commonwealth. And it is by the said indenture declared, that when a scholar shall be elected he shall have all the arrearages accrued during a vacancy.

5. *Thurlyn's Exhibition.*

That *Thomas Thurlyn*, formerly president and one of the senior fellows of St. John's College, in the University of Cambridge, Doctor in Divinity, did by his last will, dated 2d September 1708, give to the mayor and burgesses the sum of 200 *l.*, which at that time they were indebted to him, upon condition that they should pay the sum of 6 *l.* per annum for ever unto a poor scholar who should go from the grammar-school in King's Lynn into St. John's College aforesaid.

And that by an indenture, expressed to bear date in the year 1715, and to be made between the said mayor and burgesses of the one part, and the master, fellows and scholars of St. John's College aforesaid, of the other part, the said mayor and burgesses did covenant that they would nominate and recommend one of the poorest sort of scholars educated in the free grammar-school, then already admitted, or fitly qualified by his learning and education to be admitted, into the said college, and to pay to the bursar of the said college for the time being, for the sole use and benefit of the said poor scholar so admitted and entered, a yearly pension or payment of 6 *l.*, to continue during the space of four years from the time of such admission and entrance, if such poor scholar should so long continue resident in the said college, and observe and perform the good rules and orders of the same; and in case of the death, undue absence, removal, legal expulsion or other disqualification of such poor scholar, that the said mayor and burgesses would, with the most convenient opportunity, nominate, recommend and present one other such scholar out of the said free school in manner aforesaid, and pay the bursar of the said college, for the sole use and benefit of one other such scholar so succeeding from the said school, the like pension or payment of 6 *l.* per annum, to continue for the like term of four years after his admission and entrance, and so successively to other poor scholars so nominated and recommended upon the death, &c. of any of them; and that every succeeding poor scholar should receive all arrears of the said pension as should accrue during the vacancy of the said scholarship.

But I find only an imperfect copy of the deed lastly referred to; and there is annexed to such copy a memorandum of Mr. Underwood, formerly the town-clerk of this borough, expressing a doubt whether the deed was ever executed.

## Secondly, With respect to Funds applicable to the object of placing out Apprentices.

1574, Oct. 26.—I find that by will, dated 26th of October 1574, *Robert Boston* alias *Tyler*, of King's Lynn, bequeathed to the said mayor and burgesses 15 *l.*, to be lent gratis to young men new out of their apprenticeship to set up their trades.

But I cannot find that the interest of this sum has been thus appropriated for very many years, in consequence, I apprehend, of the insignificance of its amount.

1651, June 26.—I also find that by will, dated 26th June 1651, *John Crane*, of Cambridge, esq., desired his executors to buy threescore pounds a year of good lands or tenements, so as the tenant might have a good pennyworth to pay willingly their rent; but he desired that it might be threescore and two pounds a year, which he bestowed willingly, as follows:

The first year's rent he gave to the University of Cambridge, upon the trusts in his said will expressed. The second year's revenue he gave to the town of Wisbech, to be lent freely to three young men, to help to get them up, they putting in good security to repay it at 20 years' end, and then to be lent to three other young men in like order, they putting in good security to repay it at the 20 years' end: so every 20 *l.* to be shifted from one man to another at the expiration of 20 years; and this gift to be continued until there be 200 *l.* stock, to be lent as above, it coming to them but every fifth year, threescore pounds. The third year's revenue he gave to the town of Cambridge. The fourth year's revenue he gave to the town corporate of King's Lynn, there to be lent to three young men, in like order as Wisbech and Cambridge doth. This to be lent by the mayor of King's Lynn for the time being, the recorder and four of the chief aldermen. Every town having 200 *l.* stock, to be lent freely for 20 years, and shiften to new parties every 20 years; but the University to have their threescore pounds every fifth year, to be bestowed as at first; the said testator's intent

being, that the threescore pounds a year should continue to every town afterwards every fifth year, but the use changed; that is, as it falls out to come to every town, instead of lending it to young men or other as before expressed, that (viz.) this threescore pounds to be given and bestowed upon honest poor men in prison for debt, or old women, or the relief of poor men in want, or to relieve them out of prison for debt, desiring them intrusted in this business, as they will answer it before God, that they relieve the most honest, godliest and religious men and women in the said several towns that have lived well and had a good report, being fallen in decay by some extraordinary occasion, and not to give it to dissembling hypocritical persons.

I also find that, by a codicil (dated 20th September 1651) to his said will, the said John Crane declared, that if any of them entrusted to lend the 20*l.* a piece to divers men, should be so careless as to lose one half of the former 200*l.*, then the other towns formerly bequeathed the like should have the whole profit of the said gift bestowed on them for the use of the poor in their towns, and that town so careless should have no more. And the said testator gave 40*s.* to every town where the money was to be bestowed, to have a sermon that year, to invite other men to do the like. And after reciting or taking notice of his aforesaid direction, for his executors to buy threescore and two pounds a year for the use of the poor, to lend 20*l.* a piece, the testator, by his codicil, declared that he freely willed that this should continue till every town had 200*l.* a piece to lend 10 men; and after that the threescore pounds should go to the use of the poor, as in his said will set down.

And I further find, that in the year 1658 an estate at Fleet, in the county of Lincoln, consisting of about        acres, was purchased by Mr. Crane's executors, and settled conformably to the above will and codicil of the said John Crane. The corporation of Lynn received their proportion of the rents until the principal sum of 200*l.* was raised, and this sum they now hold for the purpose of lending the interest to poor tradesmen, when applied for. They also receive, every fifth year, the whole of the rents of the estate, and invariably distribute them among the poor of the parishes in Lynn, conformably to the direction of the will.

1714, August 13.—I also find that by will, dated 13th August 1714, *Robert Sparrow*, of King's Lynn, esquire, desired that his executors should, within six months next after his death, pay into the hands of the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn, to whom he made it his earnest request that they would receive it under security of their common seal, at 5*l.* per cent. interest per annum, to the intent that the interest thereof should be paid to the testator's wife, Frances, for her life, and after her death, to pay 600*l.*, part thereof, to the persons therein named; and that 200*l.*, the residue thereof, should be laid out by the said mayor and burgesses in purchasing some meadow or pasture ground, being freehold, and as near the town of King's Lynn as might be, to the full value thereof, and that the rents and profits thereof should be placed out for ever in placing and putting out three poor children apprentices, every other or second year successively for ever; the said children to be the sons of sober and honest tradesmen, being freemen of the said borough, being fatherless, or whose parents shall not be able to put them out, and to be such as shall be appointed, and to such trades or employment as shall be approved by the mayor and six senior aldermen, upon Thursday in Easter week, in every second year successively for ever, to be bound out to freemen of the same borough. The meadow or pasture grounds so to be purchased never to be ploughed up or used in tillage, and to be called by my name, and to be settled and assured for the purpose aforesaid.

I also find that at a corporate assembly of the mayor and burgesses, held on 26th October 1778, it was agreed, that "as the condition of the will as to the estate to be purchased with Alderman Sparrow's money, could not be purchased, some estate belonging to the corporation should be charged with the clear annual sum of 8*l.*, being rather more than the clear rent of such an estate as, in the opinion of the corporation, could be purchased with the said 200*l.* would produce, until such purchase could be found." The interest of this sum of 200*l.* has been regularly applied by the corporation according to Mr. Sparrow's bequest, and they have now in hand 200*l.* principal, and 20*l.* balance of interest.

1731, April 22.—I further find, that *John Horn*, of King's Lynn, schoolmaster, by his will, dated 22d April 1731 (after bequeathing certain of his books to the corporation library, and other legacies), directed his residuary personal estate to be converted into money, and paid into the hands of the mayor and aldermen of King's Lynn, to be by them put out at interest, and the said interest to be by them, yearly for ever, employed for the binding out poor children apprentices.

And I also find that the above residuary property amounted to the sum of 680*l.*, and the yearly interest has been, ever since the testator's death, applied by the corporation in apprenticing poor children, according to the directions of the will. There is now in hand 34*l.* 7*s.* interest money applicable to the purposes of this testator's will.

1781, Dec. 14.—I further find that by will, dated 14th December 1781, *Mary Leake*, of King's Lynn, widow, gave the sum of 500*l.* to Thomas Day and Carlos Cony, upon trust, during the life of her sister, Catherine Barnwell, to place and continue the same at interest on mortgage or government security, and pay the interest and produce thereof to her during her life, and after her death the said testatrix gave 50*l.*, 50*l.*, 50*l.* and 150*l.*, part thereof, to the persons therein named, and the remaining 250*l.* to the mayor, aldermen and common council of King's Lynn for the time being, to the intent that they should place and continue the same at interest on mortgage or other good security, and apply the interest therefrom arising for the yearly placing a boy, being the lawful child of a person belonging to King's Lynn aforesaid, apprentice to some mechanic trade or business; in which application of the said money, or choice of the said boys, the said testatrix desired that no party or undue preference might be given, but that the merits and indigence of the objects only might be considered.

And I also find that the interest of this sum has been regularly applied by the corporation pursuant to the trusts of the will, and that there is not at present any money in hand thus applicable.

### Thirdly, With respect to indiscriminate Objects of Charity.

I find that by indenture, dated 1st July 1566, and made between the mayor and burgesses, &c. of the city of Bristol, of the one part, the president and scholars of the college of St. John the Baptist, (founded in the University of Oxford by Sir Thomas White), of the second part, and the master and wardens of the Merchant Tailors of the city of London, of the third part; reciting that the said mayor

and burgesses, &c. had received the sum of 2,000*l.* of the said Sir Thomas White, as well for the benefit of the inhabitants of the city of Bristol, as of other towns in the said indenture expressed (amongst which Lynn is one), which money was delivered to them to the intent the said mayor and burgesses should purchase lands of the value of 120*l.* per annum or more; and reciting that the said mayor and commonalty had purchased lands in the city of Bristol, to the yearly value of 76*l.*; it is covenanted that the said mayor and burgesses, &c. would, within four years, purchase lands amounting in the whole to the value of 120*l.* or more. The said mayor, &c. did covenant with the said president and scholars, &c., and with the said master and wardens, that they would, at the feast of St. Martin then next, for the term of eight years, pay at Bristol 100*l.* for the uses following; namely, 50*l.* a piece, to be delivered to two honest young men of their city, to hold, by way of loan, for 10 years then next, and at the end of such 10 years, to receive the said two sums of 50*l.* from the said young men, and pay the same to two other young men of the same city, upon the same terms, and so on for ever. The said mayor, &c. did also covenant to pay, in the year 1577, to the mayor, &c. of York the rents and profits of the said lands so purchased and to be purchased, upon condition to lend the sum of 100*l.*, parcel thereof, amongst four young men, upon the same terms as before expressed with regard to Bristol; and in 1576, the like to Canterbury, and so to the number of 24 corporations, whereof Lynn is one, in circulation one after another for ever.

And I further find that this corporation have received from the corporation of Bristol, since the year 1594, various sums, amounting in the whole to 875*l.*, which with 11*l.* 3*s.* for taxes, and 13*l.* 17*s.* for some supposed expenses, the particulars of which are not ascertained, and 100*l.* now due from the corporation, will make up the proper number of payments to the year 1813, when the last became due to this corporation. These sums have been always held by the corporation, and advanced when applied for, for the purposes of the founder's bounty; but of late years the applications have been much less frequent than formerly.

And I find that by an indenture, dated 13th May 1581, *John Lonyson*, of the city of London, citizen and goldsmith, charged Mary his wife to pay to the said mayor and burgesses, within four years after his death, 200*l.*, to the intent that the said mayor and burgesses should purchase to them and their successors, in fee simple, lands and tenements of good and sure title, and should employ the rents and profits thereof upon the poor in the new hospital in Lynn.

And I find that, shortly after this time, 75 acres of land, called The Out Marshes or Salt Marshes, were purchased by the corporation with this sum of 200*l.*; but I also find an ancient paper writing amongst the corporation documents, in these words: "These marshes may now be called as lost."

And I find that the corporation have, ever since the year 1594, annually paid the sum of 10*l.*, under the denomination of Lonyson's Annuity, to the overseers of the poor at St. James's workhouse, which was anciently called the New Hospital.

And I also find that by the before-mentioned will (dated 14th February 1595) of the said Elizabeth Titley, she appointed Thomas Howes, one of the preachers of this town and one of her executors, to purchase lands to the value of 40*l.*, to the use of the mayor and burgesses, to the intent that they should employ the profits coming to the preachers of the word of God within the said town; and that this payment is also made annually, according to the will.

And I also find that, by an indenture, dated 12th March 1598, *Thomas Grave*, formerly one of the aldermen of King's Lynn, did, by will, give 200*l.* to the mayor and burgesses, to be put out by their allowance, from time to time, for two years, to merchants, artificers and other inhabitants within this town, being burgesses thereof, for increase or loan, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in the pound for the year, for the use of the poor, to be yearly employed, bestowed and distributed, half in coals and half in money; and the bonds to be taken with sureties for the said money, with the loan or increase thereof.

And by the said indenture the said mayor and burgesses covenanted with Catherine Grave, the executrix of the said Thomas Grave, to employ and use the said stock according to the said will; and that if they should convert or alter the use of the said stock, or any part thereof, or of the loan money for the same, otherwise than according to the said will, and so continue the same by the space of six months after open notice or warning thereof made or given by the said Catherine, or the executors or administrators of the said Thomas Grave, that the said mayor and burgesses should pay back to the said Catherine, or the executors or administrators of the said Thomas, the said stock of 200*l.*, according to the meaning of the said will, with a proviso nevertheless, that if the laws of this realm would not permit the said stock to be put as aforesaid, the said mayor and burgesses might, according to the meaning of the said will, purchase lands or hereditaments with the said stock, for the profits thereof arising to be employed, so far as the same will extend, to the said use.

And I find that the corporation annually expend 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in the purchase of coals for distribution, between the poor of nine wards, on St. Thomas's-day, in satisfaction of this trust.

I also find that the before-mentioned John Pierson, by will, dated 22d October 1623, devised a messuage in Lathe-street (now called Nelson-street), in King's Lynn, with the key or wharf against the same, to be sold by the mayor and town-clerk of King's Lynn, within two years after the testator's decease, in trust, out of the produce to pay to the mayor and town-clerk five marks a-piece; to John Jolles and Matthew Jolles, 30*l.* a-piece, and the residue to the mayor and burgesses, to the intent (in addition to the 40*s.* scholarship and the 40*s.* for the poor people in the almshouse in King's Lynn yearly, in the Lent season, already noticed) to bestow upon the poor people in Stonegate ward, to be distributed by the discretion of the mayor for the time being, or the alderman of the said ward, yearly in the Lent season, other 40*s.*

And I find that these payments are regularly continued to the present day.

I also find that by will, dated 24th March 1655, *Thomas Robinson*, of St. Saviour, Southwark, merchant, gave to the mayor and aldermen of Lynn for the time then being, 40*s.* a-piece for a remembrance. And the rest and residue of such parts and portions as were by him thereby intended to Stephen his son, and to such other child or children as he should have in case they had not died before their age of one-and-twenty years, his daughter her day of marriage, and not by the said testator therein formerly bequeathed, he fully and absolutely gave and bequeathed to the poor of the town of King's Lynn aforesaid, to be distributed amongst them by the mayor and aldermen, according as they in their discretion should think fit.

But I cannot find that the corporation ever received any money under this will, as applicable to any charitable purpose.



And I find that by will, dated 11th May 1665, *William Cleave*, of the city of London, esq., gave and devised all his messuages, houses, lands and tenements, with the appurtenances, in Lynn Regis, in the county of Norfolk, for and towards the relief of the several parishes where the same were situate and lying, and to be disposed of yearly by the minister, churchwardens and overseers of the same parish for the time being; and that the messuage comprised in this devise is situate at the corner of Norfolk-street, next High-street, and that the same is under lease to the representatives of Mr. Thomas Gales, who pay their rent to the parish officers, and not to this corporation.

I also find that by will, dated 25th April 1670, *John Stagers*, of King's Lynn, cook, gave to the mayor and burgesses of this town the sum of 45 *l.*, to be paid by his executors within one year after his decease, if they should please to accept thereof, desiring them to pay to the minister of St. Margaret's church, in King's Lynn aforesaid, the sum of 20 *s.* yearly for ever, for him to preach a sermon in St. Margaret's church upon the 1st day of January; and also the sum of 14 *s.* to 14 poor widowers and widows in Trinity Hall ward, and 10 *s.* more to 10 poor widowers and widows in Sedgford-lane ward, and 10 *s.* more also to 10 poor widowers and widows in Stone Gate ward, if there should be so many in any of the said wards, and if not, then to such poor there as they shall see need, yearly and every year for ever, upon the 23d December.

And I also find that this gift was accepted by the mayor and burgesses, as appears by an order of Hall, recorded in the hall-book on the 4th of November 1670.

And I find that 20 *s.* are yearly paid to the minister, and 20 *s.* yearly to St. James's Hospital, which are supposed to be in satisfaction of this charity.

I also find by an entry in the corporation books on 5th May 1704, that *Benjamin Holley*, esq., formerly an alderman, did by his last will bequeath to the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn the sum of 100 *l.*, to the intent that the interest thereof be distributed and paid in manner following: that is to say, To the poor of Trinity Hall ward, 20 *s.* every year; to the poor of New Conduit ward, 20 *s.* every year; to the poor of Paradise ward, 20 *s.* every year; and to each of the six wards 10 *s.* yearly, to be distributed among them at Christmas.

And I find that this benefaction is regularly continued down to the present time.

And I also find that at a corporation assembly held on the 14th February 1718, John Kidd, clerk, executor of the last will of Mr. *John Kidd*, then late alderman of this borough, brought into this corporation the sum of 36 *l.*, given by the will of the said deceased to the mayor and burgesses, to the intent that they should pay yearly for ever 36 *s.* to the churchwardens of St. Margaret's parish church in Lynn.

And I find that this sum is regularly paid to the present day.

And I also find that at a corporate meeting of the mayor, aldermen and common council, held on 29th December 1721, it was ordered, that 100 *l.*, left by Mr. *Peter Ward*, deceased, to charitable uses, and ordered to be disposed of in this corporation's hands, be accepted, and a bond prepared from the congregation for the purposes therein contained; namely, To pay for ever 50 *s.* yearly to the minister and churchwardens of St. Margaret's parish, for teaching two poor boys of honest parentage writing and arithmetic until they are qualified for business, then to be supplied by other two, to be chosen by said minister and churchwardens for the time being for ever. And the residue of the interest of the said 100 *l.*, according to lawful interest, from time to time to be laid out in bread by the said churchwardens, by them to be distributed to poor honest men and women, as they shall think fit, in equal proportions, the first Sunday in every calendar month, after divine service.

And I find that 5 *l.* are yearly paid to the churchwardens every Easter-day, in satisfaction of this charity.

And I find that at the last mentioned corporate meeting it was also ordered, that the sum of 20 *l.*, given by the will of *Margery Brock*, should be accepted by this congregation, namely, to buy as many coals as come to 20 *s.* every Michaelmas-day, and cause the same to be distributed equally among four poor widows inhabiting within St. Margaret's parish, who have lived sober and good lives, and in good repute and credit.

And I find that the interest of this sum is regularly applied in purchasing coals for St. Thomas's-day.

I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Robert Awborne, dated 21st November 1726, he bequeathed to the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn aforesaid, and their successors, the sum of 600 *l.*, upon trust, for ever thereafter to give and distribute, at their discretion, some few days before Christmas-day in every year, 9 *l.* among the poor people in the nine several wards in the parish of St. Margaret, in King's Lynn aforesaid, namely, 20 *s.* in each ward. And should likewise at the same time in every year give and distribute, at their discretion, so many coals to and amongst the poor people in each of the said wards as should be of the value of 20 *s.* And further should at the same time in every year for ever thereafter give and distribute, at their discretion, to and amongst the poor people of the parish of South Lynn or of Southgate ward, in King's Lynn, 10 *s.* in money, and also at the same time so many coals as should be of the value of 10 *s.* And upon further trust, that the said mayor and burgesses should for ever thereafter, upon the first day of January in every year, give and distribute to and amongst the children of or belonging to St. James's workhouse, in King's Lynn aforesaid, the sum of 20 *s.* And upon further trust, to pay into the hands of the governors of St. Mary Magdalen's Hospital, in Gaywood, and St. James's Hospital and Paradise Hospital, in King's Lynn aforesaid, 3 *l.* on the Saturday before Easter Sunday in every year, as already set forth in the report. And upon further trust, that the said mayor and burgesses should for ever thereafter pay to the minister of St. Margaret's parish, in King's Lynn, for ever, on the feast-day of St. John the Baptist, 20 *s.* for preaching a sermon yearly on that day upon the subject of repentance.

And I find that these trusts are faithfully performed at the present time, by the distribution of coals on St. Thomas's-day, and by payment to the minister of 20 *s.* for preaching this sermon.

I also find that by the before-mentioned codicil, dated 16th November 1740, to the will of the said James Boardman, he gave to the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn the sum of 100 *l.*, in trust to pay and distribute the reasonable interest thereof upon Christmas-day yearly for ever amongst such poor persons as should dwell in Chequer ward and Trinity Hall ward, in King's Lynn aforesaid, as the mayor and aldermen of the said town should approve, and in such manner and proportions as they should judge proper; and also gave to the said mayor and burgesses the further sum of 50 *l.* for the poor widows belonging to St. James's Hospital, already noticed in this Report.

And

And I find that this trust is faithfully performed at the present day, by the distribution of coals on St. Thomas's-day.

And I also find that by the before-mentioned will of the said Sarah Dexter, dated 13th April 1753, she gave to the said mayor and burgesses the sum of 150 *l.*, in trust to pay the interest thereof to the chapelreeves of the chapel of St. Nicholas, in King's Lynn aforesaid, in order that they might yearly on Easter Tuesday for ever pay to the town clerk the lawful interest of 10 *l.*, part thereof, for his reading and entering her will. And also should yearly on Michaelmas-day for ever distribute and give the lawful interest of 140 *l.*, residue thereof, as it should be received, to the poor men living in the almshouse in Broad-street, in King's Lynn aforesaid (excepting always the reader there), and the poor women living in the hospital called St. James's Hospital, in King's Lynn aforesaid (excepting always the reader there), in equal shares, as already noticed in a preceding part of this Report.

And I find that the interest of this sum of 150 *l.* is invariably applied according to the directions of Mrs. Dexter's will.

And I also find that by an indenture, dated 21st December 1753, *Rebecca Everard*, of King's Lynn, widow, declared the trusts of a sum of 50 *l.* given by her to the said mayor and burgesses, which are, that the mayor and aldermen of the said borough shall yearly lay out the sum of 40 *s.* in the purchase of coals, to be distributed in the month of November to and amongst such eight poor widows of the parish of St. Margaret's, as she should during her life nominate, and after her decease to and amongst the like number of poor industrious widows, in the month of November yearly, who should be inhabitants of the said parish, and not chargeable thereto, as the mayor and aldermen for the time being or the major part of them should judge proper objects.

And I find that this charitable provision is faithfully continued at the present day.

And I also find that by will, dated 3d April 1777, the Rev. *William Everard*, of King's Lynn, clerk, gave his security in the East Gate turnpike for 100 *l.* to the corporation of King's Lynn, the interest of which to be laid out in coals, to be distributed to poor families, in no less than four metts to each.

And I also find that the interest of this sum has been regularly applied by the corporation according to the directions of the said will.

And I also find that by will, dated 10th September 1784, *Samuel Brown*, of King's Lynn, merchant, one of the aldermen of this borough, gave 100 *l.* to the said mayor and burgesses, and directed the interest thereof to be annually paid by them to the aldermen for the time being of Stonegate ward, that he might distribute the same on St. Thomas's-day, with other monies, to the poor of that ward.

And I also find that the interest of this sum has been regularly paid by the corporation according to the trusts of the said will.

And I also find that by will, dated 25th May 1792, *Catherine Barwell*, of King's Lynn, spinster, gave to the mayor, aldermen and common council of King's Lynn, the sum of 300 *l.*, upon trust to place and continue the same in the public funds or government securities, and yearly apply the interest, dividends or produce therefrom arising, in the purchase of coals, to be yearly on every first day of November distributed in equal proportions amongst old indigent single women or widows, inhabitants of King's Lynn, not in the workhouse or otherwise receiving relief from any parish, for ever.

And I find that the sum of 392 *l.* 0 *s.* 10 *d.* stock in the Three per cent. Consols was purchased with this money, and the dividends thereof have been regularly applied by the corporation, according to the trust of the will, from the death of the testatrix down to the present time.

I also find that by will, dated 25th August 1797, *Elizabeth Marshall*, of King's Lynn, widow, gave to the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn aforesaid, 200 *l.*, upon trust, on the 25th of December yearly, to pay the interest and produce thereof in equal proportions to four poor widows of the borough aforesaid, the preference to be given to such as her executors or their legal representative or representatives should from time to time nominate and appoint. The yearly sum of 10 *l.*, the interest of this 200 *l.*, is yearly distributed by the representatives of the testatrix, according to the provision of the will.

And I find that the interest of this sum of 200 *l.* has been regularly paid by the corporation to the representatives of the testatrix, and by them distributed, according to the will, from the death of the testatrix down to the present time.

And I also find that by will, dated 13th December 1816, *Edward Everard*, late of Middleton in Norfolk, but afterwards of the city of Bath, esquire, gave to the mayor, aldermen and common council, otherwise called the mayor and burgesses of King's Lynn aforesaid, for the time being, the sum of 100 *l.*, upon trust that they and their successors should on St. Thomas's-day yearly pay the interest thereof, after the rate of 5 *l.* per cent. per annum, unto and amongst such poor inhabitants of the several wards in King's Lynn aforesaid, as they should deem proper objects of charity.

And I find that the interest of this sum has been regularly applied ever since the testator's death, pursuant to the directions of his will.

I also find that by will, dated 17th January 1824, *Francis Boyce*, of King's Lynn, gentleman, gave to the trustees of the hospital in Broad-street in King's Lynn, called Framlingham's Hospital, 60 *l.*, to be by them placed out at interest, and the interest yearly arising therefrom laid out in the purchase of good, sound wheaten bread, to be distributed amongst the 12 poor men who might from time to time be resident in the said hospital, one four-penny loaf to be given to each of them on the second Monday in the month of November, and the 14 following Mondays in each year, the bread to be distributed in the said hospital by the trustees thereof, and the overseers of the poor of the ward of Paradise, in which the said hospital is situate.

I also find that by indenture, dated 2d May 1826, *Henry Birkbeck*, of King's Lynn, esquire, assigned to the said mayor and burgesses a security, marked No. 99, for 100 *l.*, under the Lynn Paving Acts of Parliament, and nine securities, marked respectively Nos. 36. 100. 41. 55. 62. 71. 111. 160. and 124, for 400 *l.*, under the Chatteris Turnpike Act of Parliament, upon trust to pay to the treasurer for the time being of the Lancasterian School in King's Lynn, to be applied for the purposes of the said school, the sums to be received by the said mayor and burgesses in respect of interest upon the said 100 *l.* upon the said paving security marked No. 99; and upon trust to pay to the treasurer for the time being of the Lynn Dispensary, to be applied for the purposes of the same, the sums to be received by the said mayor and burgesses in respect of the interest upon the principal sums of 50 *l.*, 25 *l.*, 50 *l.* and 75 *l.*, due upon the said securities marked Nos. 36. 100. 41, and 55; and



and upon trust to pay to the treasurer for the time being of the society of King's Lynn aforesaid, for maimed and disabled seamen, and the widows and children of such as shall be killed, slain, or drowned in the merchants' service, to be applied for the purposes of the same society, the sums to be received by the said mayor and burgesses in respect of interest upon the principal sums of 50 *l.*, 50 *l.*, 25 *l.*, 50 *l.* and 25 *l.* due upon the said turnpike securities marked Nos. 62. 71. 111. 160. and 124.

And I find that the interest of these sums has been regularly applied, according to the trusts of the deed, down to the present time.

I likewise find that the corporation annually pay to the churchwardens of St. Margaret a rent-charge of 6 *l.*, issuing out of the ground called Paradise Garden, and 6 *s.* 8 *d.*, as a rent-charge issuing out of a tenement adjoining; but I am not able to discover the origin of either payment.

Dated the 8th day of March 1833.

*Fred. Lane*, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Lynn Regis.*

##### ALDERMEN.

Edward Everard	- - - -	Merchant.
Henry Bell	- - - -	Attorney.
Joseph Taylor	- - - -	Merchant.
Edmund Rolfe Elsdon	- - - -	Ditto.
Edward Everard	- - - -	Ditto.
Thomas Philip Bagge	- - - -	Ditto.
Edward Everard	- - - -	Banker and Merchant.
Lionel Self	- - - -	Merchant.
George Hogge	- - - -	Ditto.
Scarlet Everard	- - - -	Banker and Merchant.
Joseph Lawrence	- - - -	Attorney.
William Swatman	- - - -	Collector of Customs.
John Prescott Blencowe	- - - -	Banker and Merchant.
William Bagge	- - - -	Merchant.
Thomas Allen	- - - -	No profession or trade; a private gentleman.
Alexander Bowker	- - - -	Merchant.

*Fred. Lane*, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATION OF MACCLESFIELD.

##### CORPORATE OFFICERS.

1812	The Rev. John Rolls Browne, clerk, mayor.	
	Henry Wardle	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
	Ralph Deane	- - - - Esquire.
	George Pearson	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
1813	The said George Pearson, mayor	- - Ditto.
	John Smith Daintry	- - - - Esquire.
	Samuel Wood	- - - - Cotton Merchant.
	The said Rev. John Rolls Browne	- - Clerk.
1814	The said Samuel Wood, mayor	- - Cotton Merchant.
	The said George Pearson	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
	John Whittaker	- - - - Mercer.
	Thomas Boden	- - - - Timber Merchant.
1815	The said Thomas Boden, mayor	- - - Ditto.
	The said Samuel Wood	- - - - Cotton Merchant.
	Nathaniel Higginbotham	- - - - Maltster.
	Henry Critchley	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
1816	Edward Smyth, esq. mayor.	
	The said Thomas Boden	- - - - Timber Merchant.
	Charles Wood	- - - - Cotton Merchant.
	Rowland Gould	- - - - Dyer.
1817	The said Rowland Gould, mayor	- - Ditto.
	The said Edward Smyth	- - - - Esquire.
	John Ryle	- - - - Ditto.
	Joseph Tunnicliff	- - - - Ditto.
1818	The said Joseph Tunnicliff, esq. mayor.	
	The said Rowland Gould	- - - - Dyer.
	The said Rev. John Rolls Browne	- - Clerk.
	Samuel Pearson	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
1819	The said Samuel Pearson, mayor	- - - Ditto.
	The said Joseph Tunnicliff	- - - - Esquire.
	Thomas Critchley	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
	Francis Newbold	- - - - Surgeon.
1820	Ralph Deane, esq. mayor.	
	The said Samuel Pearson	- - - - Silk Manufacturer.
	David Hall	- - - - Esquire.
	John Wood Haslehurst	- - - - Ditto.

1821	The said John Wood Haslehurst, esq. mayor.	
	Ralph Deane - - - - -	Esquire.
	John Smith Daintry - - - - -	Ditto.
	Thomas Ward - - - - -	Silk Merchant.
1822	The said Thomas Ward, mayor - - - - -	Ditto.
	John Wood Haslehurst - - - - -	Esquire.
	The Rev. William Cruttenden Cruttenden - - - - -	Clerk.
	Thomas Allen - - - - -	Esquire.
1823	The said Thomas Allen, esq. mayor.	
	Thomas Ward - - - - -	Silk Merchant.
	Henry Critchley - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	Thomas Boden - - - - -	Timber Merchant.
1824	George Frederick Baker, mayor - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	The said Thomas Allen - - - - -	Esquire.
	George Pearson - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	Thomas Brodrick - - - - -	Ditto.
1825	The said Thomas Brodrick, mayor - - - - -	Ditto.
	The said George Frederick Baker - - - - -	Ditto.
	The Rev. William Cruttenden Cruttenden - - - - -	Clerk.
	William Johnson - - - - -	Wine Merchant.
1826	The said William Johnson, mayor - - - - -	Ditto.
	The said Thomas Brodrick - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	Charles Wood - - - - -	Cotton Merchant.
	Rowland Gould - - - - -	Dyer.
1827	Samuel Pearson, mayor - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	The said William Johnson - - - - -	Wine Merchant.
	Francis Newbold - - - - -	Surgeon.
	Samuel Wood - - - - -	Cotton Merchant.
1828	Henry Wardle, mayor - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	The said Samuel Pearson - - - - -	Ditto.
	Thomas Ward - - - - -	Silk Merchant.
	William Binley Dickinson - - - - -	Surgeon.
1829	The said William Binley Dickinson, mayor - - - - -	Ditto.
	The said Henry Wardle - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	Henry Critchley - - - - -	Esquire.
	Daniel Ward - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
1830	The said Daniel Ward, mayor - - - - -	Ditto.
	The said William Binley Dickinson - - - - -	Surgeon.
	Thomas Boden - - - - -	Timber Merchant.
	William Hopes - - - - -	Esquire.
1831	The said William Hopes, esq. mayor.	
	The said Daniel Ward - - - - -	Silk Manufacturer.
	Thomas Critchley - - - - -	Ditto.
	Thomas Itchenor Watts - - - - -	Mercer.
1832	The said Thomas Itchenor Watts, mayor - - - - -	Ditto.
	William Hopes - - - - -	Esquire.
	The Rev. William Cruttenden Cruttenden - - - - -	Clerk.
	Thomas Grimsditch - - - - -	Solicitor.

The mayors are, ex-officio, magistrates.

18 February 1833.

Thos. Parrott, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF MAIDENHEAD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of Property.	The Manner in which the same has been Acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were Given.	The Mode in which the same are now Distributed and Applied.
Eight acres of land in the parish of Cookham, Berks, producing the annual rent of 31 l.	- - By will of Thos. Ring, dated 1636.	- - To provide the poor men and women of the town of Maidenhead with coats and petticoats.	- - To the purpose mentioned under the last head.
Two messuages or tenements in Maidenhead-street, producing the annual rent of 62 l.	- - By deed from Abraham Spoor, dated 1724, whereby he granted the same to the mayor, bridgemasters and burgesses of the said town.	- - For the purpose of teaching and apprenticing four poor boys of the said town.	- - To the purpose mentioned under the last head.
A close of arable land in the parish of Wargrave, Berks, producing the annual rent of 30 l.	- - By deed from Margaret Poole, dated 1640, whereby she granted the same to the warden, bridgemasters and burgesses of the said town.	- - For the purchase of cloth for the benefit of the poor inhabitants of the said town.	- - To the purpose mentioned under the last head.

Description of Property.	The Manner in which the same has been Acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were Given.	The Mode in which the same are now Distributed and Applied.
A rent-charge of 5 <i>l.</i> per annum, issuing out of two messuages in the said town.	-- By the will of Elizabeth Merry, dated 1686.	-- For placing poor children out to school.	-- To the purpose mentioned under the last head, the same being appropriated to the national school established in the said town.
A messuage and land at Boyn Hill, in the parish of Bray, Berks, producing 32 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- By deed from Jeffrey Wheeler, dated 20 July , whereby he granted the same to the mayor, bridgemasters and burgesses of the said town.	-- For apprenticing poor boys of Bray and Maidenhead.	-- For the purpose mentioned under the last head.
The tolls of Maidenhead Bridge, producing 1,245 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- By grant of King Richard 2, also by letters patent of Henry 6, confirmed by Queen Elizabeth; by charter of the same Queen, renewed by King James 1 and Charles 1, also by charter of James 2, and by Act of Parliament, 12 G. 3, (1772.)	-- In the first instance for the support of the charities of St. Andrew and St. Mary Magdalen, and with a certain grant of timber out of Windsor Forest for the maintenance of the bridge over the River Thames; subsequently (by the said charter of Elizabeth and her successors) for the maintenance of the guild, and the brethren and sisters of Maidenhead, and for the repair of the bridge over the River Thames; and finally (by the said Act of Parliament, 12 G. 3,) for building and maintaining a new stone bridge over the said river, to the use of the said mayor, bridgemasters and burgesses, in lieu of the former tolls of pontage and poundage.	-- In supporting and repairing the bridge, in paying the interest of the debt, amounting to 765 <i>l.</i> per annum, and for municipal purposes and general improvements.
Three newly erected messuages near the new chapel in the town of Maidenhead, together with gardens and a close of meadow land belonging thereto, producing 120 <i>l.</i> per annum, in the occupation of James Smith, Charles Cooper and John Lewington.	-- Partly on the site of old buildings, from time immemorial in possession of the corporation, and other part by recent purchase, the new messuages having been since erected thereon for the improvement of the town.	- - - - -	-- To the payment of the interest on a mortgage debt, and the surplus to the general purposes of the corporation.
Messuage in the town of Maidenhead, in the occupation of James Ayres, producing 12 <i>l.</i> per ann.	By recent purchase -	- - - - -	-- To the general purposes of the corporation.
Messuage in the town of Maidenhead aforesaid, in the occupation of Henry Miller, producing 14 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> per annum.	-- From time immemorial in possession of the corporation.	- - - - -	-- To the general purposes of the corporation.
Fishery near Maidenhead Bridge, in the occupation of Richard Lovegrove, producing 1 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> per annum.	By charter - - -	- - - - -	-- To the general purposes of the corporation.
The Guildhall in Maidenhead.	—	—	—
Tolls of fairs and markets, let to William Buffett, the town serjeant, producing 6 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> per annum.	By charter - - -	- - - - -	-- To the general purposes of the corporation.
The advowson patronage and right of presentation to the chapel of St. Andrew and St. Mary Magdalen, in the said town of Maidenhead.	By charter - - -	-- Originally the private chapel of the guild.	-- Given up by the corporation to the use of the town in the reign of King Geo. 1. (1721).

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Maidenhead.*

—	HIGH STEWARD.	STEWARD.	MAYOR.	PROFESSIONS AND TRADES.	MAGISTRATES.
1813	- George Vansittart, esq.	James Payn, esq.	Thomas Groom	Yeoman - - -	Richard Goolden.
1814	- - -	- - -	Lawrence Norman	Gentleman - - -	Thomas Groom.
1815	- - -	- - -	Joseph Clark, deceased	Grocer and Tea Dealer	Lawrence Norman.
1816	- - -	- - -	Austin Sherwood	Fellmonger - - -	Joseph Clark.
1817	- - -	- - -	William Piggott	Innkeeper - - -	Austin Sherwood.
1818	- - -	- - -	Richard Lovegrove	Plumber - - -	William Piggott.
1819	- - -	- - -	John Ebsworth	Salesman - - -	Richard Lovegrove.
1820	- - -	- - -	Thomas Foster	Draper - - -	John Ebsworth.
1821	- - -	- - -	Thomas Groom	Yeoman - - -	Thomas Foster.
1822	- - -	- - William Payn, esq. in the place of his father, Jas. Payn, esq. deceased.	Lawrence Norman	Gentleman - - -	Thomas Groom.
1823	- - -	- - -	Richard Goolden	Surgeon - - -	Lawrence Norman.
1824	- - -	- - -	Joseph Clark	Gentleman - - -	Richard Goolden.
1825	- Charles Sawyer, esq. in the room of George Vansittart, esq. deceased.	- - -	William Piggott	Innholder - - -	Joseph Clark
1826	- - -	- - -	Richard Lovegrove	Plumber - - -	William Piggott.
1827	- - -	- - -	George Wade Wetton	Bookseller - - -	Richard Lovegrove.
1828	- - -	- - -	Robert Wyvill	Professor of Music -	George Wade Wetton.
1829	- - -	- - -	Thomas Groom	Yeoman - - -	Robert Wyvill.
1830	- - -	- - -	John Lewington	- - Estate Agent and Conveyancer.	Thomas Groom.
1831	- - -	- - -	James Smith	Attorney-at-Law -	John Lewington.
1832	- - -	- - -	Robert Nicholson	Grocer - - -	James Smith.
1833	- - -	- - -	John Edwards Langton	Brewer - - -	Robert Nicholson.

## CORPORATION OF MAIDSTONE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

NAMES OF CHARITIES.	FUNDS, AND OTHER PROPERTY.	HOW ACQUIRED.	PURPOSES FOR WHICH GIVEN.	HOW DISTRIBUTED AND APPLIED.
Alex. Fisher's -	- - Several tenements or cottages and pieces of land, producing formerly about 40 <i>l.</i> a year, but now, on an average, about 160 <i>l.</i> per annum.	- - By will, dated 25th Jan. 1670.	- - To put forth apprentice yearly, for ever, three poor boys born in Maidstone, of honest parents, who by reason of their poverty are unable to put them forth to good and honest trades, to persons of sober and good conversation living in Maidstone, and not selling ale or beer, with a premium of 10 <i>l.</i> with each boy. And to the relief of four poor widows of honest behaviour, dwelling in the same town, 40 <i>s.</i> a year each.	- - By the mayor and jurats assembling together on every Easter Tuesday, and putting forth three apprentices, with a premium of 15 <i>l.</i> each (instead of 10 <i>l.</i> ); and filling and keeping up their list of widows to the number of 40 and upwards, at 50 <i>s.</i> a year each, paid quarterly (instead of the number four only, at 40 <i>s.</i> a year each), according as the funds will allow, after paying repairs of buildings, &c., and incidental expenses of the trust.
Rob. Gunsley's	- - A moiety of the rectory and parsonage of Broadhempstone, in the county of Devon, now let upon lease, and producing, after deducting for vicar's stipend, repairs, &c., about 35 <i>l.</i> a year.	- By will, dated 30th June 1618.	- - To be bestowed in bread every Sabbath-day to feed the poor, and in clothes to cover them.	- - Paid over to the churchwardens and overseers of the poor to distribute at Christmas.

NAMES OF CHARITIES.	FUNDS, AND OTHER PROPERTY.	HOW ACQUIRED.	PURPOSES FOR WHICH GIVEN.	HOW DISTRIBUTED AND APPLIED.
Alderman William Gill's.	-- 539 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> Reduced 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. Bank Annuities, producing 18 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per annum (originally 540 <i>l.</i> Four per cent. Bank Annuities.	-- By deed, dated 9th Feb. 1787, and enrolled in Chancery the 10th of same month.	-- To be paid to the minister, churchwardens and overseers of the poor, on 25th Dec. yearly, to divide amongst such 20 poor householders who shall not at any time have received alms from the parish, as they shall think fit; to wit, 21 <i>s.</i> a piece, and the remainder of the dividends to the clerk of the parish, for sending an account of the names of the persons (and their children) who shall receive the said dividends to the said William Gill during his life, and afterwards to his executors or administrators.	-- Paid over to the minister, churchwardens and overseers of the poor at Christmas, to distribute as the will directs.
Ann Wright's	-- 1,100 <i>l.</i> Three per cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, producing 33 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- By deed, dated 15th Nov. 1804, and enrolled in Chancery same day.	-- To be paid to the minister, churchwardens and overseers of the poor, on 25th December yearly, to divide among such 30 poor widows who shall not at any time have received alms from the parish, as they shall think fit; to wit, 21 <i>s.</i> a piece, if so many poor widows shall be found and approved, and if not, then to the like number of poor single women of the like description; and the residue of the dividends to the clerk of the parish, for sending to the said Ann Wright during her life, and afterwards to her personal representatives, an account in writing of the names of the poor persons who shall receive the said dividends.	The same as last above.
The Free Grammar-School.	-- A rent-charge of 10 <i>l.</i> a year, out of messuages and lands in Biddenden and Sutton Valence.  Sixteen acres of land in the parish of Newchurch, in Romney Marsh, now producing 30 <i>l.</i> a year.	-- By deed, dated 24th June 1574.  -- By will of John Davy, proved in 1649.	-- In augmentation of the salary of the master and usher of the grammar-school.  -- For the better maintaining a schoolmaster and usher in the free school.	-- The master of the school receives 20 <i>l.</i> a year from the corporation, and the chamberlain receives this rent-charge. -- The master has the management of the land, and lets it as he thinks proper, and receives the rents and profits.
Rev. John Rice's	-- The redeemed land-tax charged on the vicarage of Hoo, in the county of Kent, now producing 6 <i>l.</i> a year.	-- By deed, dated 6th Aug. 1806, and enrolled in Chancery the 8th of same month.	-- For the use and benefit of the master of the school.	-- Received by the master himself.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Maidstone.

Thomas Day	-	-	Doctor of Physic.	Philip Corrall	-	-	Banker.
Thomas Poole	-	-	Hatter.	John Argles	-	-	Grocer.
Henry Cutbush	-	-	Builder.	John Brencley	-	-	Brewer.
James Poole	-	-	Linendraper.	John Wise	-	-	Brewer.
George Burr	-	-	Solicitor.				

## MAYORS.

John Stone	-	-	Cider Merchant.	John Wise	-	-	Brewer.
Philip Corrall	-	-	Banker.	George Burgess	-	-	Corn Merchant.
John Argles	-	-	Grocer.	Courtney Stacey	-	-	Brewer.
John Brencley	-	-	Brewer.	Robert Tassell	-	-	Grocer.
John Day	-	-	Doctor of Physic.	John Newington Hughes	-	-	Gentleman.
William Henry Stacey	-	-	Brewer.	Thomas Day	-	-	Surgeon.
John Mares	-	-	Chemist.	Walter Hills	-	-	Draper.

Charles Hoar,  
Town Clerk.

14 March 1833.

## CORPORATION OF MARLBOROUGH.

Charitable Funds and other Property.	Manner in which Acquired.	Purposes for which Given.	Mode in which Distributed and Applied.
Houses and lands in Marlborough, a small farm at Preshute, Wilts, and lands at Kennet, Wilts, formerly belonging to the hospital of St. John in Marlborough.	- Grant by King Edward 6	- - The foundation and endowment of a grammar-school at Marlborough.	The purposes directed by the grant.
Messuages and gardens in Marlborough, formerly charity lands.	- - Purchased by the corporation, and included in the aforesaid grant.		- - Some portion is granted to the burgesses for fines for their own lives and their wives for widowhood. The income of the remainder goes to the general fund. Some commonable rights are exercised over these lands.
Lands in Portfield, in the parish of Preshute.	Not known	Not known	- - The inhabitant householders exercise a right of common, for which an annual acknowledgment is paid.
The common or Thorne's.	Not known	Not known	
Guildhall	- - Part freehold ; formerly the High Cross of the Guilda Mercateria. Part leasehold for lives, and lease renewed from time to time, by purchase.	- - The Guildhall is used for holding the sessions for the borough and borough courts. The Quarter Sessions for the county are held there once a year. It is used also on all public occasions.	
Weighing engine	- - Erected at very considerable expense by the corporation.	- - For the convenience and accommodation of the town and neighbourhood, on payment of a moderate sum for each weighing.	- - Repairs, and the surplus (if any) to the general fund.]
Houses, gardens, and lands in Marlborough. Tolls of markets. Shambles for use of market. Maces and paraphernalia, furniture in the Guildhall, weights and measures, &c.	- - Not known ; confirmed by charter of 2 Eliz.	- - Not known ; supposed for the purpose of supporting the dignity of one of the most ancient corporations in the kingdom.	- - Repairs of the property and maintenance and repairs of Guildhall. Rates and taxes:—A considerable portion of the payment for rates is in fact an exoneration <i>pro tanto</i> of the general rate-payers of the parishes ; the greater part of the houses being let to poor persons, at low rents, which are very badly paid, and the houses

generally being of such a description, that the rates could not be collected from the occupiers ; indeed some of the houses may be considered almost an incumbrance.

Charities, two of which (one of 8*l.* per annum, and the other 1*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*) are compulsory.

Allowance to the mayor.

Salaries to corporation officers.

Subscription to the clergymen of the two parishes.

Repair of a road *rationi tenuræ*.

A very considerable sum is also paid every year in aid of the two parishes in the borough, for the expenses occasioned by passing casualty paupers, and surgeon to attend them.

Prisoners in the borough gaol. Costs of conveying prisoners to county gaol. Costs of prosecutions at county assizes.

Coroners inquests.

Night-watch for the borough and other police expenses.

A borough-rate, in the nature of a county-rate, is made for the four last-mentioned items ; but the rate is not made for more than about one-third of the sum actually expended in each year.

The above are the principal items of expenditure, but there are others of less importance which it is not thought necessary to particularize.

The annual income of the corporation is not more than sufficient to meet the several outlays before set forth.

## CORPORATION OF MONMOUTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The Charitable Funds in the hands of this corporation consist only of a sum of £. left by the late Lord Peterborough, the interest of which is given yearly to the poor of Monmouth, in bread.

The other property of the corporation consists of houses in Monmouth and the vicinity, with the tolls of the fairs and markets, producing an annual income of about 350 £., which is applied as follows; viz. in payment of an annual fee-farm rent of 27 £. to the assignee of the Crown; in payment of the salary of the mayor, amounting to 32 £. per annum; of the two bailiffs, amounting to 10 guineas each; to the town-clerk, of 15 £. a year; to the chamberlain, of about 17 £. 10 s. a year; to the coroner, of 3 guineas; to the serjeants-at-mace, of 2 guineas a year; to the collector of the tolls at the fairs, 6 guineas a year; to the two beadles, of 25 £. each; to the constables, averaging 25 £. a year; in the repairs of two bridges, the amount uncertain; and in the repairs of the corporation property, of about 10 £. per cent. on the whole income; and in local subscriptions, such as the watchmen, National School, Dispensary, bread to the poor, &c. and incidental law charges.

For the last few years, the corporation paid about 80 £. a year for the support of the borough prisoners; but this payment has been discontinued on the parish of Monmouth submitting to the payment of the county stock.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Monmouth.

YEAR.	MAYOR.	BAILIFFS.
From Michaelmas 1812 to Michaelmas 1813.	William Probyn, Tanner -	Thomas Evans, Mercer.
1813 to 1814 - -	Rev. Thomas Prosser, Clerk -	Edward Lucas, Grocer.
		Edward Lucas, Grocer.
		Thomas Molineaux, Esq., a Magistrate for the county of Monmouth.
1814 to 1815 - -	James Hardwick, Gentleman	Thomas Evans, Mercer.
		Edward Lucas, Grocer.
1815 to 1816 - -	Edward Lucas, Grocer -	Thomas Evans, Mercer.
		William Probyn, Tanner.
1816 to 1817 - -	Rev. Thomas Prosser, Clerk -	James Evans, Gentleman.
		Edmund Bond Prosser, Surgeon.
1817 to 1818 - -	James Hardwick, Gentleman	James Evans, Gentleman.
		James Bevan, Gentleman.
1818 to April 1819 -	Edward Lucas, Grocer -	Same bailiffs.
April to August 1819	Rev. Thomas Prosser, Clerk -	Thomas Evans, } Mercers.
		Richard Powles, }
Michaelmas 1819 to April 1820.	Edm. Bond Prosser, Surgeon	James Hardwick, Gentleman.
From April to Michaelmas 1820.	Charles Heath, Printer -	Richard Powles, Mercer.
From Michaelmas 1820 to same time 1821.	Thomas Griffin Phillpotts, Attorney.	Herbert Harris, Attorney.
1821 to 1822 - -	Charles Heath, Printer -	Hezekiah Swift, Timber Merchant.
		Josiah Hatton, Gentleman.
1822 to 1823 - -	Hezekiah Swift, Timber-dealer	Henry Hughes, Barge-owner.
		Herbert Harris, Attorney.
1823 to 1824 - -	Thomas Griffin Phillpotts, Attorney.	Hezekiah Swift, Timber-dealer.
		Thomas Griffin Phillpotts, Attorney.
1824 to 1825 - -	Henry Hughes, Barge-owner	Josiah Hatton, Gentleman.
		Henry Hughes, Barge-owner.
1825 to May 1826 -	James Jenkins, Weaver -	John Stead, Timber-dealer.
		John Stead, }
		John Hughes, Innkeeper.
May to Michaelmas 1826	Robert Bevan, M. D. - -	William Baker, Schoolmaster.
		James Powles, Attorney.
1826 to 1827 - -	William Probyn, Tanner -	James Burton, Lieut. R. N.
		James Hardwick, } Gentlemen.
		James Burton, }
1827 to 1828 - -	James Hardwick, Gentleman	James Powles, Attorney.
		Edmund Bond Prosser, Surgeon.
1828 to 1829 - -	Edm. Bond Prosser, Surgeon	James Burton, Gentleman.
		Richard Powles, Mercer.
1829 to 1830 - -	Richard Powles, Mercer -	Thomas Dyke, Grocer.
		Charles Tyler, Attorney.
1830 to 1831 - -	James Burton, Gentleman -	Richard Amphlett, Lieut. R. N.
		William Addams Williams, Attorney.
1831 to 1832 - -	Edward Lucas, Esq. - -	William Fortune Powell, Attorney.
		Oliver Gregory Thomas, Surgeon.
Michaelmas 1832 to February 1833, and will continue in office till Michaelmas.	Thomas Dyke, Grocer -	Same bailiffs.

February 1833.

T. A. Williams, Deputy Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF MONTGOMERY.

CHARITABLE FUNDS:—None.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Montgomery.*

1812	Maurice Edward Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk	-	Bailiffs.
1813	Maurice Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1813	Charles Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1814	John Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
1814	Arthur David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
1815	David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
1815	John Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
1816	Matthew Edward Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of Matthew Edward Jones.											
Maurice Edward Lloyd, clerk, deputy of John Lloyd.											
1816	Humphrey Rowlands Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1817	John Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of John Jones.											
Maurice Edward Lloyd, clerk, deputy of Humphrey Rowlands Jones.											
1817	Charles Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1818	William Johnes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Maurice Edward Lloyd, clerk, deputy of Charles Jones.											
1818	John Owen Herbert	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1819	Thomas Johnes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Maurice Edward Lloyd, clerk, deputy of John Owen Herbert.											
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of Thomas Johnes.											
1819	Sir Charles Thomas Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Knight	-	Bailiffs.
1820	Humphrey Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Maurice Edward Lloyd, clerk, deputy of Sir Charles.											
1820	Humphrey Rowlands Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1821	Arthur David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Humphrey Jones, gent., deputy of Humphrey Rowlands Jones.											
1821	John Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1822	David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Humphrey Jones, gent., deputy of David Jones.											
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of John Lloyd.											
1822	Thomas Johnes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1823	Humphrey Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of Thomas Johnes.											
1823	The Hon. Robert Henry Clive	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Bailiffs.
1824	John Owen Herbert	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of Mr. Clive.											
Humphrey Jones, gent., deputy of Mr. Herbert.											
1824	Joseph Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1825	Arthur David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Humphrey Jones, gent., deputy of Joseph Jones.											
1825	John Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1826	David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of John Lloyd.											
Humphrey Jones, gent., deputy of David Jones.											
1826	William Johnes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1827	John Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of William Johnes.											
1827	Humphrey Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1828	William Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of William Lloyd.											
1828	Arthur David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1829	Joseph Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
Humphrey Jones, gent., deputy of Joseph Jones.*											
1829	Humphrey Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1830	David Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1830	William Johnes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire	-	Bailiffs.
1831	Maurice Lloyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk	-	Bailiffs.
Arthur David Jones, gent., deputy of William Johnes.											
1831	John Arthur Herbert	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk	-	Bailiffs.
1832	John Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Gentleman	-	Bailiffs.
Maurice Lloyd, clerk, deputy of John Arthur Herbert.											

The deputies act as magistrates in the sickness or absence of their principals.

The late Maurice Edward Lloyd, clerk, was a very respectable acting county justice.

14 February 1833.

E. Edye, Deputy Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF NEWARK-UPON-TRENT.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE corporation have not any estates whatever, nor any income or property of any kind applicable to corporate purposes. But they are trustees for the application (in conjunction as to some of the estates with other trustees) of the rents of the following estates and funded property.

*Magnus's Estates.*

Estates in Everton and Mattersey, in the county of Nottingham, and in Sandwath, in the county of York, now producing an annual rent of 2,356*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*, were settled by *Thomas Magnus*, Archdeacon of the East Riding of York, by feoffment, in 22 Henry 8, for the purpose of founding and supporting a free grammar-school and song-school in Newark. The surplus to be applied in repairing and beautifying the church of Newark, or some other good work for the common good and weal of the said town.

The trustees of this charity are the mayor, vicar, first senior alderman and four churchwardens. The application of the funds is regulated by a decree in Chancery made in the year 1738; but 290*l.* per annum is paid under the provisions of an Act of Parliament towards lighting and paving the town of Newark.

A scheme for the future appropriation of the rents and profits of these estates is now before one of the Masters in Chancery, whose report thereon is shortly expected.

[*Note*.—There is also a sum of 332*l.* 11*s.* 10½*d.* Three per cent. Consols, arising from the surplus money received by sale of part of this estate, for the redemption of the land-tax of the whole estate.]

*Phillipott's Estates.*

Estates in North Muskham, Holme and Newark-upon-Trent, now producing an annual rent of 563*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*, were settled by *William Phillipott*, of Newark-upon-Trent, in the county of Nottingham, merchant, for the purpose of founding an almshouse for five poor men, there to have their ease and lodging; such poor men to be elected and chosen by the aldermen, with the advice of his brethren of 12 coadjutors, the vicar and two other honest persons of the commons; the surplus to be applied for the maintenance and good repair of the said almshouses, and the other lands and tenements belonging to the same. Mr. Phillipott also directed that 5*l.* should be bestowed in pavage within the town of Newark.

The trustees of this charity are the mayor and aldermen and two commoners; and the application of the funds is regulated by a decree in Chancery, made in the year 1738; but 120*l.* per annum is paid under the provisions of an Act of Parliament towards lighting and paving the town of Newark.

The said decree ordered the rebuilding and enlarging of the said almshouses, and that 10 more poor persons should be added unto the then number of almsmen, five of them to be women, and that the surplus should be annually directed to be laid out in such manner, and at such times, and by such persons as should be agreed upon and consented unto by the mayor and aldermen and two commoners, or the major part of them, and as should by them be adjudged to be most agreeable to the intent of the said William Phillipott, and for the common good of the town of Newark.

[*Note*.—There is a sum of 423*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* Three per cent. Consols, arising from the surplus money received by sale of part of this estate, for the redemption of the land-tax of the whole estate. The number of the almspeople has been since augmented to 24, and they now consist of 14 women and 10 men.]

*Brown's Estates.*

Estates in Newark-upon-Trent, Barnby-in-the-Willows, and Fiskerton, in the county of Nottingham, now producing an annual rent of 216*l.* 9*s.*, were devised by *Robert Brown*, of Newark-upon-Trent, in the county of Nottingham, esquire, for the purpose of the rents being employed, bestowed and spent to the use of the common wealth of the town of Newark, whether it should be to the reparation of the church there, or any good works to be done in the said town of Newark, as mending of highways, as should be thought most expedient from time to time by the vicar and aldermen of Newark.

The trustees of this charity are the mayor and vicar; and the application of the funds is regulated by a decree in Chancery, made in the year 1738; but 90*l.* per annum is paid under the provisions of an Act of Parliament towards lighting and paving the town of Newark; and the decree directs that the rents of the estates shall be applied on the 1st of January yearly by the vicar and mayor; but if they should not agree, or one be absent, the senior alderman and two of the churchwardens, chosen by the parishioners, should be called in.

*Lawrence's Charity.*

*George Lawrence*, by his will, of 1st December 1797, gave to the mayor and aldermen of the borough of Newark, and their successors, 1,000*l.*, upon trust to apply the interest in such manner as they should think proper towards increasing the allowances of the almsmen and women who should be elected into the almshouse founded by William Phillipott in Newark. The money was invested in the Three per cent. Consols, and the annual dividends, amounting to 55*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, are wholly applied for the benefit of the almspeople.

*Charities of Bethell, Clay, Johnson, Martin, Watson, Leake and Summers.*

*William Bethell*, by indenture dated 23d October, 9 James, gave 10*l.* to the alderman and assistants, to be placed out at interest, and 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly to be paid to the vicar, and 13*s.* 4*d.* to be distributed amongst the poor.

Hercules

*Hercules Clay*, by will, dated 11th December 1694, gave to the mayor and aldermen 100 *l.*, to be placed out at interest by the vicar's consent for his benefit, to preach a sermon on the 11th of March; and also 100 *l.*, to be laid out at interest by the mayor and aldermen for the benefit of the poor on the 11th of March yearly.

*John Johnson*, by will, dated 22d October 1655, gave 50 *l.*, the interest whereof yearly to be applied to repair the church windows.

*John Martin*, by will, dated 14th March 1663, gave the use of 50 *l.*, to be paid to the mayor and aldermen, to be laid out in coals, and distributed by them yearly at Christmas.

*Emma Watson*, by will, dated 8th December 1675, gave to the mayor and aldermen 50 *l.*, to be put out at interest, to be disposed of in buying of coals or corn for the poor people at their discretion.

*Lady Frances Leake*, by her will, dated 23d December 1690, gave 100 *l.* to the use of the poor; and 200 *l.*, to be in plate for the communion table.

*Thomas Summers*, by his will, dated 1st August 1705, gave 500 *l.* to the mayor and aldermen to purchase lands, and out of the produce to pay weekly to five beadmen in Newark 1 *s.* each for ever, and the surplus to be given amongst the poor on every second February. The monies bequeathed for the purposes of the last seven-named charities were laid out in the purchase of a farm at Laughton, in the county of Lincoln, which now produces an annual rent of 110 *l.*

#### *Stone's and Bishop White's Charities.*

##### *Girton and Besthorpe Estate.*

*Henry Stone*, by his will, dated 6th July 1688, gave 1,400 *l.* to trustees to purchase lands with, and to settle the same in trust for the uses of the corporations of Lincoln and Newark, for the employment of poor people in work living and inhabiting within the precincts and limits of the said corporations; one moiety for the use of a Jersey School in Lincoln, and the remainder to the like use in Newark.

*Thomas White*, D. D. Bishop of Peterborough, by his will, dated in the year 1690, gave to the poor of the parish of Newark 240 *l.*, to be laid out in land; 10 *l.* of the rent he allotted to the poor yearly for ever, and the surplusage, whatever it should be, to the rector as a reward for his pains and fidelity in the distribution of the said 10 *l.* to the poor.

The 700 *l.* so bequeathed by Henry Stone, and the 240 *l.* bequeathed by Bishop White, have been laid out in lands situate at Girton and Besthorpe, in the county of Nottingham, and now produce an annual rental of 203 *l.* 3 *s.*

##### *Lilly's Charity.*

The estate called Bathley Grange, in the parish of South Muskham, in the county of Nottingham, was by deed, dated 19th December 1623, settled by *John Lilly*, in trust for the alderman and assistants and their successors, to be disposed among the poor children working in the Jersey School; and in default of such school, to be applied towards the relief of the poor in the said town. The Bathley Grange Estate now lets at an annual rent of 120 *l.* subject to two charges, one of 7 *l.* 7 *s.* annually to the poor of Bathley, and one of 3 *l.* 6 *s.* 10 *d.* for land-tax.

The whole of the 10 charities mentioned above, commencing with "Bethell," and ending with "Lilly," are the subject of an information in Chancery, filed by His Majesty's Attorney-general, and a scheme for the future appropriation of the rents and profits of the estates belonging to these charities is now before one of the Masters in Chancery, whose report thereon is shortly expected.

##### *Anthony Collingwood's Charity.*

*Anthony Collingwood*, by his will, dated 8th March 1678, gave his lands at Farndon, in the county of Nottingham, and Allington, in the county of Lincoln, to the mayor and aldermen of Newark, in trust for the better enabling the vicar of Newark to maintain prayers in the parish church of Newark. The lands now produce annually 30 *l.* a year, which is received by the vicar.

He also gave his house in Stodman-street, Newark, to the said mayor and aldermen to the use of the poor of the said corporation.

The house being in a state of decay, and unsafe for occupancy, has within the last two years been pulled down, and the property is now wholly unproductive.

The testator also gave his house in Carter Gate to the said mayor and aldermen, for the repairs and better support of the fabric of the parish church of Newark.

The house was sold, under the powers of a turnpike Act, for 150 *l.*, and which sum is invested in the Three per cent. Consols, and the dividends, being 7 *l.* 10 *s.* per annum, are received by the churchwardens for the repairs of the church.

##### *Chapman's Charity.*

— *Chapman*, by his will, dated in 1619, gave to the aldermen and assistants, and the vicar of Newark and their successors, a house in Appleton Gate, on trust that two bays of stone building, part of a house next the churchyard, should be divided into convenient rooms, and four poor widows placed therein, and the rents (after the repairs) be paid towards their maintenance.

The said two bays became afterwards decayed and ruinous, and the trustees therefore provided other houses for four poor widows, and pay weekly to two of them 6 *d.* a piece. The house was subsequently sold for the sum of 365 *l.*, and the money applied for the purchase of the land-tax payable out of the estates before mentioned, namely, the Laughton Estate, the Besthorpe and Girton Estate, the Bathley Grange Estate, and the house in Stodman-street, devised by Anthony Collingwood.

It is expected that the report of the Master, before adverted to, will direct that the amount of the land-tax on each of these estates so redeemed shall be paid for the use of this charity, and then the mayor and aldermen will distribute the whole amongst the widows.

*Johnson's further Charity.*

*John Johnson*, before mentioned, gave by his will a rent-charge of 5 *l.* per annum for the use of 50 of the poorest and oldest widowers and widows of Newark, to be paid yearly to the mayor or churchwardens on the 20th December, and distributed the day after.

This the churchwardens distribute annually, according to the directions of the said will.

He also gave four cottages in Parish-lane, Newark, to be for ever enjoyed by four old widows to be therein placed in succession by the appointment of the mayor and aldermen.

*The Earl of Scarsdale's Charity.*

*Nicholas Earl of Scarsdale*, by indenture dated 26th August 1679, granted to the aldermen and assistants 10 *l.* for ever, charged on estates in Derbyshire, in trust to be paid to the vicar for preaching two sermons yearly, on St. Thomas's-day and Good Friday: this the vicar receives.

*William Watson and Emma his Wife's Charity.*

*William Watson* and *Emma* his wife, by indenture dated 31st May 1657, granted a rent-charge of 20 *s.* per annum to the said mayor and aldermen, charged on a house in Newark, for the vicar to preach a sermon on 25th December: this the vicar receives.

*Ellis's Charity.*

*Timothy Ellis*, by will dated 12th May 1704, settled three chambers by the churchyard, for the support, relief and maintenance of three poor widows of Newark.

The trustees are the mayor and aldermen. Three poor widows receive weekly 8 *d.* each, and also one ton and a half of coals annually each.

23 February 1833.

*Wm. Edward Tallents*, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Newark-upon-Trent.*

*Note.*—The magistracy of this borough consists (by charter) of the recorder and four senior aldermen (such four senior aldermen being elected into the office of a justice of the peace by the majority of the mayor and aldermen), as permanent magistrates.

The mayor during his year of office, and for one year next following.

The deputy mayor (nominated by the mayor), in the absence or sickness of the mayor, during the year of his mayoralty.

1812-1813	John Balguy, jun., Esq., Recorder - - - - -	Barrister-at-Law.
	Edward Smith Godfrey, Mayor - - - - -	Banker.
	Charles Moor, Deputy Mayor - - - - -	} Chemist and Druggist.
	Ditto, Mayor the preceding year - - - - -	
	Thomas Spragging - - - - -	Gentleman.
	Samuel Sketchley - - - - -	Gentleman.
	Robert Buck - - - - -	Doctor of Medicine.
1813-1814	James Dyson, Mayor - - - - -	Wine Merchant.
	Charles Moor, Deputy Mayor.	
	Edward Smith Godfrey (as late Mayor).	
	William Farmerie, in the place of Thomas	} Maltster.
	Spragging, deceased - - - - -	
	The other Justices, viz. the Recorder and the senior Aldermen, the same as last year.	
1814-1815	William Hilton, Mayor - - - - -	Mercer and Draper.
	Thomas Hansall, Deputy Mayor - - - - -	Grocer.
	James Dyson, as late Mayor.	
	The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.	
1815-1816	William Fillingham, Mayor - - - - -	Mercer and Draper.
	Richard Fisher, Deputy Mayor - - - - -	Mercer and Draper.
	William Hilton, as late Mayor.	
	The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.	
1816-1817	William Readett, Mayor - - - - -	Maltster.
	William Hilton, Deputy Mayor.	
	William Fillingham, as late Mayor.	
	The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.	
1817-1818	Thomas Bland, Mayor - - - - -	Surgeon and Apothecary,
	Richard Fisher, Deputy Mayor.	
	William Readett, as late Mayor.	
	The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.	
1818-1819	William Parker, Mayor - - - - -	Surgeon and Apothecary.
	Robert Buck, Deputy Mayor.	
	Thomas Bland, as late Mayor.	
	The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.	

1819-1820

- 1819-1820 Thomas Hansall, Mayor.  
William Hilton, Deputy Mayor.  
William Parker, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1820-1821 Robert Buck, Mayor.  
William Parker, Deputy Mayor.  
Thomas Hansall, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1821-1822 Richard Fisher, Mayor.  
William Fillingham, Deputy Mayor.  
Robert Buck, as late Mayor.  
Charles Moor, in the place of Samuel Sketchley, resigned.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1822-1823 John Hole, Mayor - - - - - Mercer and Draper.  
William Fillingham, Deputy Mayor.  
Richard Fisher, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1823-1824 Charles Moor, Mayor.  
Richard Fisher, Deputy Mayor.  
John Hole, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1824-1825 James Dyson, Mayor.  
Charles Moor, Deputy Mayor.  
Charles Moor, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1825-1826 William Hilton, Mayor.  
William Readett, Deputy Mayor.  
James Dyson, as late Mayor.  
Thomas Bland, in the place of William Farmerie, deceased.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1826-1827 George Hodgkinson, Mayor - - - - - Attorney-at-Law.  
Richard Fisher, Deputy Mayor.  
William Hilton, as late Mayor.  
William Parker, in the place of Robert Buck, deceased.  
Richard Fisher, in the place of Thomas Bland, resigned.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1827-1828 James Prior Lacy, Mayor - - - - - Surgeon and Apothecary.  
George Hodgkinson, Deputy Mayor.  
George Hodgkinson, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1828-1829 William Fillingham, Mayor.  
Richard Fisher, Deputy Mayor.  
James Prior Lacy, as late Mayor.  
James Dyson, in the place of Thomas Hansall, deceased.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1829-1830 William Readett, Mayor.  
William Parker, Deputy Mayor.  
William Fillingham, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1830-1831 John Jeremiah Bigsby, Mayor - - - - - Doctor of Medicine.  
George Hodgkinson, Deputy Mayor.  
William Readett, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1831-1832 Clinton James Fynes Clinton, Esquire, Recorder, } Barrister-at-Law.  
in the place of John Balguy, Esquire, resigned }  
William Parker, Mayor.  
William Fillingham, Deputy Mayor.  
John Jeremiah Bigsby, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as senior Aldermen) the same as last year.
- 1832-1833 James Thorpe, Mayor - - - - - Merchant.  
James Dyson, Deputy Mayor.  
William Parker, as late Mayor.  
The other Justices (as Recorder and senior Aldermen) the same as last year, except that  
Richard Fisher has resigned his office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace, and no  
successor has at present been appointed.

17 February 1833.

Wm. Edward Tallents, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF NEWBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Charitable Funds and other Property in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the Corporation.	Manner in which Acquired.	Purposes for which Given.	Mode in which Distributed and Applied.
<i>Richard Cowslad's Charity.</i> —Freehold lands situate at Greenham, in the county of Berks, containing 37 A. O R. 15 P. or thereabouts, let on lease at the rent of 65 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- By indenture of bargain and sale enrolled, bearing date the 13th day of May 1715, and made between Richard Cowslad, of the one part, and John Hore and others of the other part.	-- To pay for the schooling, educating, clothing and apprenticing of 10 poor boys of the borough of Newbury.	According to the deed.
<i>Thomas Cowslad's Charity.</i> —Yearly rent-charges of 40 <i>l.</i> and 20 <i>l.</i> respectively, issuing out of an estate situate at Holt, in the parish of Kintbury, in the county of Berks.	-- By indenture of bargain and sale enrolled, bearing date 27th June 1715, made between said Richard Cowslad, of the one part, and John Hore, Thomas Stockwell and others, of the other part; and by indenture of demise, bearing date on or about the 27th March 1733, made between the said Thomas Stockwell and others, of the first part, the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Newbury, of the second part, and Thomas Cowslad, of the third part.	-- As to the annual rent of 40 <i>l.</i> , to pay the yearly sum of 30 <i>l.</i> to the organist of Newbury church, the yearly sum of 5 <i>l.</i> towards the repairs of the organ, and the yearly sum of 5 <i>l.</i> towards the expenses of the mayor's feast or dinner; and as to the additional rent of 20 <i>l.</i> , to apply the same towards the expense of removing the organ, and until such removal to pay such expenses of cleaning, repairing and amending the organ, as the above 5 <i>l.</i> should be insufficient to pay, and to apply the remainder of the 20 <i>l.</i> in apprenticing poor boys.	According to the deeds.
<i>John Kendrick's Charity.</i> —An estate formerly called the Hospital, comprising messuages, warehouses and land, now forming Newbury wharf, let at rents amounting to the gross sum of 292 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> , or thereabouts, subject however to considerable deductions for rates and taxes.	-- Purchased with part of a sum of 4,000 <i>l.</i> bequeathed to the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of Newbury, by the will of John Kendrick, dated 29th December 1624.	-- To set the poor to work, and make a common stock for the employment of the poor.	-- In clothing and educating 18 boys; in affording relief to 50 poor people, at 5 <i>s.</i> each per month in the winter, and 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each per month in the summer; in paying 5 pensioners 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each per week, and in repairing the buildings and premises. <i>N. B.</i> —A fresh scheme is about to be adopted pursuant to a decree of the Court of Chancery.
Two closes on the west side of Newtown-lane, being leasehold, held under the dean and canons of Windsor, let at a rent of 10 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> per annum.	-- Purchased from the funds of Kendrick's charity above named.	- - - - -	Applied as above.
A freehold estate situate on Wash Common, in the parish of Newbury, let with other lands, called the Warren Farm, at 40 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- Purchased with a sum of 250 <i>l.</i> bequeathed by the will of the said John Kendrick.	-- To maintain Divine service to be said in Newbury church every morning at 6 o'clock.	-- To the rector of Newbury for reading prayers in Newbury church.
£. 500. in money - -	-- By the will of the said John Kendrick.	-- To be lent to 10 honest and industrious clothiers by 50 <i>l.</i> a piece for 3 years, without interest.	-- Lent to poor tradespeople.
<i>Thomas Stockwell.</i> —The residue of the rents of 2 tenements in Northcroft-lane, Newbury, after payment of 10 <i>s.</i> yearly to the poor of Inkpen, let at 4 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> per week, subject to deductions for repairs and taxes.	-- By deed dated 22d June 1736, made between Thomas Stockwell, of the one part, and the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of Newbury, of the other part.	-- To clothe 2 poor boys, and buy coats for 2 poor men yearly, under the direction of the mayor and justice of Newbury.	-- Carried to the school account.

Charitable Funds and other Property in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the Corporation.	Manner in which Acquired.	Purposes for which Given.	Mode in which Distributed and Applied.
<i>John Seeley's Gift.</i> —A messuage, and about 2½ acres of garden ground in Greenham Field.	- - Purchased with 110 l. left by the will of John Seeley, dated 10th October 1677, and conveyed by deed of feoffment, dated 13th August 1681, made between John Howes and Martha his wife, of first part, the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of Newbury, of second part, Thomas Jemmet and another, of third part, and John Latham, of fourth part.	- - To distribute 2 dozen penny loaves weekly on the Lord's-day to the poor people of Newbury, and to expend the surplusage in wine amongst the churchwardens and overseers of Newbury.	- - The rents and profits are received by the corporation, and paid by them to the churchwardens of Newbury.
<i>Nicholas Clements.</i> —A yearly rent-charge of 40 s. issuing out of 2 tenements in Northcroft-lane, Newbury, subject to the payment of all rates and taxes.	- - By indenture dated 1st February 1722, made between Nicholas Clements, of the one part, and Mary Bolton, of the other part.	- - To buy clothing for 2 poor boys of the charity school till fit to be bound apprentice.	- - After payment of the rates and taxes, the surplus, if any, carried to the school account.
<i>St., Mary's Hill.</i> — <i>Joseph Parsons.</i> —A yearly rent-charge of 3 l. issuing out of a dwelling-house in Northbrook-street, Newbury.	- - By will of Joseph Parsons, dated 10th December 1718.	- - To be equally divided between the almswomen at St. Mary's Hill almshouses, on Christmas-day.	Applied accordingly.
<i>Edward Lovelock.</i> —A messuage and shop near the bridge in Newbury, let on lease for a long term, at 13 l. per annum.	- - By will of Edward Lovelock, dated 13th November 1730.	- - For the weekly maintenance of the almspeople in St. Mary's Hill almshouses.	Applied accordingly.
<i>Thomas Houghton.</i> —A yearly rent-charge of 1 l. 6 s. issuing out of lands in Newbury, belonging to the representatives of Mr. Thomas Townsend, deceased.	- - By will of Thomas Houghton, dated 10th January 1627.	- - To be paid quarterly to the poor people in St. Mary's Hill almshouses.	—
Lands and tenements in Newbury and Greenham, let at 95 l. per annum, or thereabouts, subject to the payment of land-tax.	Unknown - - -	Unknown - - -	- - Towards supporting the almspeople in St. Mary's Hill almshouses, and in providing them with wood and coals, and in repairing the buildings and premises.
<i>St. Bartholomew's Charity.</i> —Messuages, lands and tenements in Newbury and parishes adjacent, and the tolls and profits of a fair called St. Bartholomew's Fair, and the sum of 2,500 l. 3 per Cents., with arrears of dividends, now standing in the name of the Accountant-general of the Court of Chancery.	Unknown - - -	Unknown - - -	- - In maintaining and clothing 7 men and 7 women in King John's almshouses, and in weekly pensions to indigent persons, and in the expense of insuring, repairing and maintaining the almshouses and other buildings.
<i>Jemmet Raymond, Esq. Charity.</i> —Certain messuages, lands, tenements, tithes and hereditaments in the parishes of Newbury and Kintbury, producing annually 400 l. or thereabouts.	- - By deed dated 18th March 1763.	- - To pay 12 almspeople 2 s. 6 d. a week, and on the 1st May in each year to provide cloth gowns for the said 12 almspeople, and to give assistance to such almspeople in sickness, with fuel or other necessities; to pay the rector 5 l. yearly to read twice a week to the said almspeople in their almshouses; for supporting and keeping in repair the said almshouses, and all other messuages and premises, and keeping the same insured from loss by fire, and to place out the residue of the rents at interest to raise a fund of not less than 400 l. to answer any sudden emergency or loss; and after the fund should be raised, with the surplus of the rents and the interest of the 400 l., to increase the weekly allowance of 2 s. 6 d. to the almspeople so as not to exceed 5 s. per week; and also to continue and increase the fund to build more almshouses, and for securing weekly pay for the almspeople who should be put therein.	- - According to the directions of the deed.
Yearly rent-charge of 22 l. 6 s. issuing out of lands at Earlstone, Hants.	- - By the will of John Giles, dated in or about October 1721.	- - To be divided amongst the almspeople in the church almshouses.	Applied accordingly.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Newbury.*

N A M E S.	Professions and Trades.	N A M E S.	Profession and Trades.
The Right Hon. the Earl of Craven	High Steward.	William Davis - - -	Upholsterer.
Alfred Slocock - - -	Wine Merchant.	John Gater Marriner - - -	Chemist and Druggist.
Samuel Slocock - - -	Brewer.	John Grigg - - -	Maltster.
Richard Compton - - -	Brewer.	Thomas Willmott - - -	Fellmonger.
Samuel Toomer - - -	Banker.	Edward Pointer Haskins - - -	Wine Merchant.
Joseph Toomer - - -	Ironmonger.	William Mills - - -	Cheese Factor.
Benjamin Barnard - - -	Wine Merchant.	John Satchell - - -	Grocer.
Benjamin Hawkins - - -	Gentleman.	The Right Hon. the Earl of Car-	
James Bodman - - -	Draper.	narvon - - -	High Steward.
Edmund Slocock - - -	Brewer.	Charles Dundas - - -	Esquire, Recorder.
William Green - - -	Gentleman.	James Hazell - - -	Grocer.
John Hasker - - -	Mealman.	James Bodman the younger - -	Draper.

5 May 1833.

*Robt. Baker, Town Clerk.*

CORPORATION OF NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME.

CORPORATE OFFICERS.

N A M E S.	Professions or Trades.	N A M E S.	Professions or Trades.
John Bagshaw - -	Wine Merchant.	James Smith - -	Bookseller.
Robert Hall - -	Hat Manufacturer.	John Gardner - -	Gentleman.
Robert Fenton - -	Attorney-at-Law.	Robert Cook - -	Banker's Agent.
James Leech - -	Captain of Dragoons on	John Hatton - -	Mercer.
	Half-pay.	John Eldershaw Phillips	Grocer.
Samuel Bagshaw - -	Wine Merchant.	James Astley Hall - -	Hat Manufacturer.
John Nickisson - -	Watchmaker.	George Hall - -	Grocer.
Robert Hill - -	Corn Merchant.	William Edwards - -	Hat Manufacturer.
Ralph Clews - -	Earthenware Manufac-	Robert Bull - -	Wine Merchant.
	turer.	Matthew White - -	Surgeon.
Robert Bentley - -	Surgeon.	Thomas Phillips - -	Grocer.
William Shelley - -	Tanner.	Robert Hall - -	Gentleman.
John Turner - -	Wine Merchant.		

23 February 1833.

(signed) *T. Fenton,*  
Acting *pro. tem.* in the vacancy of the office of Town Clerk.

CORPORATION OF NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Hospital of the Holy Jesus.*

By Indenture, bearing date the 26th March 1683, the mayor and burgesses of the Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in the county of the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, founded an hospital for the relief of freemen and freemen's widows, or sons and daughters of freemen, being unmarried, in certain buildings which they had erected for that purpose, on a parcel of ground in Newcastle called The Manors, and incorporated the same by the name of "The Master, Brethren and Sisters of the Hospital of the Holy Jesus;" and it was thereby declared that the mayor, aldermen and common council of the said town for the time being should be visitors of the said hospital.

Eight poor decayed free burgesses, being unmarried, and 34 almswomen, widows of free burgesses, are appointed to reside in this hospital by the mayor, aldermen and common council. Each inmate receives 13*l.* a year, and the governor 2*l.* a year in addition, making altogether the sum of 548*l.* per annum; and each man a new coat, and each woman a new gown, besides being allowed coals. The above payments and allowances are made annually under an order of the common council.

The interest of the sum of 600*l.*, left by Miss *Mary Buck*, is likewise distributed annually to the inmates of this hospital, and once in three years 5*l.*, being a rent-charge issuing out of the estate of William Ord, esquire.

*Ann Davison's Hospital.*

*Ann Davison*, widow, by her will, bearing date the 13th August 1715, and proved at Durham, after giving to the church of St. Nicholas, in the town and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 200*l.*, the interest thereof to be distributed at two doles yearly, the one on St. Thomas's-eve, the other on 7th February, and other bequests, directed that all the rest of her estate whatsoever should be distributed among the poor, at the discretion of her executors, William Ellison, esquire, George Grey, esquire, Dr. Robert Tomlinson, and John Orde, esquire.

The mode in which the executors acted in the disposal of the residue appears from an act of common council, bearing date 17th January 1725, to the following effect: After reciting that the corporation had theretofore borrowed of the trustees of Mrs. Ann Davison's Charity 400*l.*, for which they had given a bond, and that the said trustees had represented that they had, in the whole, saved 800*l.* out of the personal estate of the testatrix, and that, by continuing the same at interest until Christmas then next, they should make it 840*l.*, and that they were minded to erect an hospital for six poor indigent widows of the Church of England, and to incorporate the same by the name of "The Governess and Sisters of Mrs. Ann Davison's Hospital," had offered to the common council the proposal following; viz. that if the common council would undertake, at their own charges, to erect and maintain a fabric, consisting of six rooms, with six closets, for six widows, a common wash-house and other conveniences, and to find coal, and settle an endowment or rent-charge of 42*l.* a year, to be paid quarterly at the four usual Feasts, they would pay to them the said sum of 840*l.*, and would agree that no widows but of clergymen, merchants, and other respectable freemen of the corporation, should be capable of this foundation; that not more than three clergymen's widows should be placed therein at the same time; and that, in filling up the vacancies that should happen, the widows of clergymen should be preferred to the widows of merchants, and the widows of merchants to the widows of all other freemen, and that after their decease the nomination of the governess and sisters should be vested in the said common council for ever; and that the said trustees had further stated that they were sensible of the expense of such a fabric, but hoped it would be considered that the confining this charity to the town, which they were at liberty to dispose of at their discretion, would not only evidence their singular respect and regard to the generous and charitable corporation of Newcastle, but would be adjudged to be an equivalent for that expense; and further reciting, that the corporation had agreed to the said proposals, and that the sum of 400*l.* had been paid into the town's chamber, and the bond for the first mentioned 400*l.* cancelled, it was ordered by the common council that a bond, under the common seal of the town, should be given to the Rev. Robert Tomlinson, D.D., and George Grey, esquire, trustees for the said charity for the sum of 800*l.*, with legal interest, and that such interest should be paid out of the revenues of the corporation.

By indenture of bargain and sale, enrolled in the Court of Chancery, bearing date 24th March 1747, between the mayor and burgesses of the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, of the one part, and George Grey, surviving executor of the will of Ann Davison, widow, of the other part, the said mayor and burgesses, for a nominal consideration, conveyed to the said George Grey, his heirs and assigns, a messuage or dwelling-house, with the wash-house and other conveniences, then lately built on a parcel of ground in Newcastle, called The Manors; and the mayor and burgesses covenanted to repair and keep in repair the said premises at all times thereafter.

By indenture of same date, also enrolled in Chancery, between the same parties, the said mayor and burgesses, in consideration of 940*l.*, granted a yearly rent-charge of 55*l.*, to the said George Grey, his heirs and assigns, payable out of the lands and tenements within the manor of Walker, in the county of Northumberland, then belonging to the said mayor and burgesses, payable at the four usual Feasts, with a power of distress in case of non-payment.

This sum of 940*l.* appears to have included 100*l.* given by Dr. Robert Tomlinson.

This hospital forms part of the same range of buildings as the Hospital of the Holy Jesus; and on that part of it belonging to Mrs. Ann Davison's Hospital there is the following inscription: "This hospital, for a governess and five sisters, widows of Protestant clergymen, merchants and freemen of the town, was endowed by the charity of Mrs. Ann Davison, relict of Mr. Benjamin Davison, merchant; first erected by the Corporation of Newcastle A.D. 1725, and rebuilt at their common charge A.D. 1754."

Six almswomen, widows of Protestant clergymen, merchants or freemen, are appointed to reside in this hospital by the mayor, aldermen and common council; and a sum exceeding 55*l.* per annum is paid out of the funds of the corporation for their support. Besides other allowances, each almswoman receives 13*l.* a year, by quarterly payments, and the governess receives 1*l.* in addition, amounting altogether to 78*l.* per annum; and the hospital is kept in repair by the corporation.

*Thomas Davison's Hospital.*

*Thomas Davison*, esquire, on the 29th July 1755, on behalf of himself and his sisters, Timothea and Mary Davison, deposited with the corporation the sum of 200*l.*, on receiving a bond under the common seal for that amount.

The corporation, in 1754, erected an hospital, forming part of the same range of buildings as the Hospital of the Holy Jesus, upon which there is the following inscription: "This hospital, for six unmarried women, to be daughters or widows of burgesses, built on the ground and at the common charge of the corporation of this town, was founded by Thomas Davison, esquire, of Ferry-hill, in the county of Durham, A.D. 1754."

Six unmarried women, daughters or widows of freemen, are appointed by the mayor, aldermen and common council, and receive 13*l.* a year each, besides other allowances from the funds of the corporation. The building is also kept in repair by the corporation.

*Sir Walter Blackett's Hospital.*

*Sir Walter Blackett*, baronet, one of the aldermen of Newcastle, deposited 1,200*l.* in the hands of the corporation, on receiving a bond, under their common seal, for the amount, dated 20th June 1754.

In 1754 an hospital was erected by the corporation, (forming part of the same range of buildings as the Hospital of the Holy Jesus,) upon which there is the following inscription: "This hospital, for six unmarried men, to be poor and decayed burgesses, built on the ground and at the common charge



charge of the corporation of this town, was founded by Sir Walter Blackett, baronet, the munificent magistrate and representative, in seven successive Parliaments, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, A. D. 1754."

Six poor and decayed burgesses, being unmarried, are appointed to this hospital by the mayor, aldermen and common council, and receive 3*l.* a quarter each out of the funds of the corporation; viz. 72*l.* per annum, besides an allowance of coals; and the buildings kept in repair by the corporation.

*Frankelcyn's Charity.*

*John Frankelcyn*, by his will, bearing date 19th November 1572, (proved at Durham) directed that 100*l.* should be delivered to the mayor and aldermen of Newcastle, and the four-and-twenty of the council of the said town for the time being, to be lent to one or two honest young men, upon good security, at 10*l.* interest; and he directed that, of the said 10*l.*, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* should be yearly given to the poor of the almshouses within the said town of Newcastle, by the appointment of the mayor and his brethren and the twenty-four.

That 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* should be given yearly to the mayor of Durham and his brethren, whereof 12*d.* every Sunday should be given to the prisoners in meat and drink, such as should be most meet and convenient for them; and 14*s.* 8*d.* yearly should be delivered, by even portions, to the curates and churchwardens of St. Nicholas' church and St. Giles' church, who should distribute the same to the most needy, aged or impotent persons, men and women, in both the said parishes, against Christmas or Easter. And that the said mayor, aldermen and four-and-twenty of the council of Newcastle, should yearly deliver to the parson and churchwardens of Houghton-le-Spring, four nobles, other part of the said 10*l.*, to be given to the most poor and needy through the whole parish, at such day and times as the sum of four nobles was appointed to be given by his wife Jane out of Cocken; and the rest of the said 10*l.*, being 40*s.*, he directed should be given into the town chamber of Newcastle; and that the clerk of the said chamber should therewith provide as much white or russet as would make six large gowns for six aged men, to be given to such as should be most needy and least able to help themselves.

Of course no man could be found to pay 10*l.* per annum interest for 100*l.*, and the money remains in the hands of the corporation, who make voluntary payments to the poor of the almshouses to an amount exceeding 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

They likewise pay to the mayor of Durham the yearly sum of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in respect of this charity, who divides it in the following proportions:

who divides it in the following proportions:										£.	s.	d.	
To the churchwardens of the parish of St. Giles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	4	
To - - ditto - - of the parish of St. Nicholas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	4	
To the governor of the county gaol	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	12	-	
										£.	3	6	8

The two former sums are distributed, with the produce of other charities, to the poor of the respective parishes above named; and the remainder is divided by the governor of the gaol equally amongst all the prisoners, whether criminals or debtors.

The corporation likewise pay four nobles, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, to the rector and churchwardens of Houghton-le-Spring.

There is, therefore, paid on the whole by the corporation of Newcastle for the interest of this 100*l.*, 8*l.* per annum.

*Sir Thomas White's Charity.*

*Sir Thomas White*, lord mayor of the city of London, in the year 1554, by his will, directed that on Bartholomew-day, in every year, there should be paid to certain cities and towns, in rotation, (and amongst the rest, to the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne,) the sum of 100*l.*, to be lent in sums of 25*l.* each, for 10 years, without interest, to young freemen and inhabitants thereof.

There has been received by this corporation from the corporation of Bristol, from time to time, in sums of 100*l.* each, the sum of 1,000*l.*; and of this sum there is now lent out by the corporation, in sums of 25*l.*, without interest, to young men, freemen and inhabitants of the town, the sum of 725*l.*

Many sums of 25*l.*, lent out in former times, have been lost; but the corporation have resolved to make good such loss, and consequently it is the intention of the corporation to deal with the balance of 275*l.* as a balance to be applied according to the trusts of the testator's will, as soon as they can select fit objects, who can give satisfactory security for the repayment of the money.

*Charities of Milbank and others.*

The following is the substance of certain entries in the cash-books of this corporation, relating to the gifts of *Mark Milbank*, esq., *William Carr*, esq., and *John Rumney*.

April 1679.—Received of the executors of Alderman *Mark Milbank*, which he left to the town by his will, 200*l.*, and 18*l.* the interest since his decease, was distributed to several poor people; for which 200*l.* the town pays interest, at six per cent., to the four churches of this town, half-yearly.

May 1679.—Received of Mrs. Jane Carr, the relict of *William Carr*, esq., and alderman, deceased, the sum of 100*l.*, to be disposed of half-yearly to the four churches, at Easter and Michaelmas: 3*l.* half-yearly interest is paid by the corporation, at the rate of six per cent.

October 1695.—Mr. *John Rumney* having by his will, dated 14th March 1693, bequeathed 250*l.* to the mayor and burgesses of the town and county of Newcastle, upon trust to put out the same, and distribute the interest as follows, viz.: one fifth part thereof to the master, brethren and sisters of the hospital of the Holy Jesus in Newcastle; another fifth part to the poor and necessitous inhabitants within the parochial chapelry of St. John's; another to the poor and necessitous inhabitants within the parochial chapelry of St. Andrew's; another to the poor and necessitous inhabitants within

within the parochial chapelry of All Saints, and the residue to the poor and necessitous inhabitants within the parish of St. Nicholas; the sum of 250 *l.* is received into the hutch, and 12 *l.* 10 *s.* per annum paid.

In respect of these donations, there is now paid by the chamber clerk to the churchwardens of St. Nicholas the following yearly sums:

	£.	s.	d.
In respect of Mark Milbank's gift for the poor of the four parishes in Newcastle	12	—	—
In respect of William Carr's, for ditto	6	—	—
In respect of Rumney's, for ditto, and the hospital of the Holy Jesus	12	10	—
There is also paid to the churchwarden of St. Nicholas by the chamber clerk the following sums, as the charities of the persons hereafter named, but there is no account of the origin thereof:—			
Sir Alexander Davison's gift for the four parishes in Newcastle	8	—	—
Sir Thomas Davison's ditto	4	—	—
Sir Mark Milbank, to the parishes of St. Nicholas and All Saints	12	—	—
	£.	54	10 —
This sum is divided as follows:			
To the poor of the parish of St. Nicholas	16	—	—
Ditto All Saints	16	—	—
Ditto St. Andrew	10	—	—
Ditto St. John	10	—	—
To the hospital of the Holy Jesus	2	10	—
	£.	54	10 —

#### *Fenwick's Charity.*

There is no trace of the origin of this charity, but the yearly sum of 1 *l.* is paid at Christmas by the chamber clerk as the gift of John Fenwick, esq., to the governor of the gaol, who divides it equally amongst all the prisoners in the gaol.

#### *Charity of Thomas Davison, the elder.*

Thomas Davison, the elder, by his will, bearing date 25th November 1671 (as appears by an extract entered in the minute-book of the Company of Merchants Adventurers of Newcastle), devised to the governor, assistants, wardens and fellowship of Merchants Adventurers of the town of Newcastle, and their successors, all his leazes and ridges of land lying in a place called Castle Fields or Castle Leazes, without the walls, and within the liberties of the said town, upon condition that they should yearly, before the 16th day of December, pay to the churchwardens of All Saints in the said town 13 *s.* 4 *d.*; to the churchwardens of St. John's 1 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.*, and to the churchwardens of St. Andrew's 1 *l.*; and should distribute the surplus of the yearly revenue in the month of December, at the discretion of the said governor, assistants and wardens, amongst the poor brethren and sisters of the said company.

In a report of all the charities in which the Company of Merchants are interested, entered in their journal-book under the date of 1780; after giving an extract of the above-mentioned will, it is stated that the lands therein mentioned were sold to the corporation, in consideration of the yearly rent of 13 *l.*

This sum is paid by the treasurer of the corporation to the Merchants' Company, who pay yearly

	£.	s.	d.
To the churchwardens of the parish of All Saints	—	13	4
Ditto St. John	1	6	8
Ditto St. Andrew	1	—	—
	£.	3	—

The remaining 10 *l.* is disposed of, with the produce of Timothy Davison's charity, amongst the poor of the company. Of late years there has been only one or two persons belonging to the company, and falling within this description.

#### *Timothy Davison's Charity.*

Timothy Davison, by his will, bearing date 7th February 1694 (as appears by an extract entered in the minute-book of the Company of Merchants Adventurers before mentioned), bequeathed to the governor, assistants and wardens of Merchants Adventurers of Newcastle, 300 *l.*, to be secured to his executors thereafter named, on trust, that they and their successors should yearly, in the month of December (at the same time when the distribution of his father's legacy was made), distribute to the poor brethren and sisters of the said company 12 *l.*, such as should have been traders and fallen into decay to have preference before others; and should also yearly distribute in the said month to the four parishes of St. Nicholas, All Saints, St. John and St. Andrew, in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 6 *l.*, to each parish 30 *s.*, to be distributed to creditable freemen or freemen's widows (not of the Merchants' Company) fallen into decay, of such persons as should be returned to be needy by the minister and churchwardens of the several parishes respectively; such distribution to be made at the discretion of the governor, assistants and wardens for the time being, and to be recorded yearly in the company's journal-book in what manner and to whom the same should be distributed.

The sum of 300 *l.* is placed in the hands of this corporation, at 4 *l.* per cent. interest, and the produce, being 12 *l.* per annum, is paid to the Company of Merchants, and divided by them in the

same proportions as the interest, at 6*l.* per cent., was directed by the testator to be disposed of, viz.

To the four parishes named in the will, 1 <i>l.</i> each	-	-	-	-	-	£.4	-	-
To the poor of the company	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-

The sum of 8 *l.* is disposed of to the poor of the company with that portion of the charity of Thomas Davison above-mentioned which was directed to be applied in the same manner.

The sums appropriated to the four parishes are paid to the respective parish officers, to be distributed by them.

#### *Charities of William and Henry Warmouth.*

*William Warmouth*, esq., who died on the 22d July 1642, by his will (as appears from an extract in the journals of the Company of Merchants Adventurers before mentioned), bequeathed to the town of Newcastle 100 *l.* for the use and benefit of the Society of Merchants Adventurers, to be disposed of by the common council of the said town in manner following:

"Imprimis, That the common council should make choice of a man, free of the Company of Merchant Adventurers, being the son of a freeman of that town, of good and sober behaviour and godly conversation; and for default of such an one, that they should, in the next place, make choice of one that had acquired his freedom by service; but if such could not be found amongst the company, then in the third place, that they should choose some merchant, through casualty decayed in his estate; but that before all others they should prefer a young freeman by patrimony.

"Secondly, That the merchant so made choice of being, in the sound judgment of the common council, not worth in lands or goods 100 *l.* in all the world, should have the benefit and use of this 100 *l.* for three years complete, and no longer.

"Thirdly, That before he should receive the 100 *l.* he should enter bond to the town, with three sufficient sureties besides himself, to repay the said sum into the town chamber at the expiration of three years.

"Fourthly, That the common council, having received the said sum, should put it out again in like manner.

"Fifthly, That the common council should not put out the same sum twice to the same person, but that it should pass from merchant to merchant as before expressed, it being the intent of the said William Warmouth to have it so disposed of, hoping that by so doing it might be a means to raise many a good merchant, he himself having had no more than 100 *l.* to begin with when he first adventured beyond the seas.

"Sixthly, It was the desire of the donor, that the common council should give the town's seal for an acknowledgment of the receipt, as also for assurance to perform the said articles; and likewise, that from time to time there should be a record kept in the town chamber, wherein all the names might be entered who should receive benefit by that or any other gift of that nature."

*Henry Warmouth*, by his will, (as appears by an entry in the same book, without date), gave to the mayor, aldermen and common council of Newcastle the sum of 100 *l.*, to be disposed of by them to ancient decayed merchants of that town, in like manner as the 100 *l.* was disposed of which his father, Mr. William Warmouth, deceased, put into the chamber of that town.

The sum of 100 *l.* left by William Warmouth, is in the hands of this corporation. It rarely happens that any person qualified according to the directions of the will makes application for a loan. A few years ago, it was lent to a poor brother of the Merchants' Company, and when it was paid in there was no person qualified to take it again. The corporation have therefore paid four per cent. for the money to the Company of Merchants, for whose benefit this charity was intended, and the amount is carried to the general account of the company.

It appears from the corporation books, that the 100 *l.* left by Henry Warmouth was lent, 21st April 1742, to Henry Eden, and there is no trace of its having ever been paid.

#### *Charity of Thomas Davison, the younger.*

By deed-poll, bearing date 19th August 1755, reciting that the mayor and burgesses of the town of Newcastle had given a bond, bearing date 29th July 1755, to *Thomas Davison*, with condition thereunder written for securing the sum of 500 *l.*, with interest at the rate of four per cent.; the said Thomas Davison declared, that the said bond was taken in his name, upon trust to pay the interest of the said 500 *l.* from time to time, as and whenever the same should amount to 50 *l.*, to any son of a merchant or young man who should have served his apprenticeship to a merchant in Newcastle, being a freeman of the Company of Merchants in the said town, to enable him to set up the trade of a merchant there; such person to be from time to time nominated, after the death of the persons therein named, by the mayor, aldermen, sheriff and common council of Newcastle in common council assembled; and that in case the said 500 *l.* should at any time be paid in, the same should be placed out at interest upon security in the name of the said Thomas Davison, his executors or administrators, and the interest thereof applied in like manner.

The sum of 500 *l.* still remains in the hands of the corporation.

The governor of the Company of Merchant Adventurers keeps an account of the interest arising thereon, and whenever it amounts to 50 *l.* he announces the same to the company, and an application is thereupon made to the mayor, aldermen and common council, who select such person, being a freeman of the said company, and otherwise qualified according to the directions of the donor, as they think fit, and the sum of 50 *l.* is paid to him to enable him to set up his trade.

#### *March's Charity.*

By indenture, bearing date the 5th June 1595 (as appears by a copy entered in the churchwardens' book of the parish of Heighington, in the county of Durham), between Robert Atkinson and George Farnaby of the one part, and the mayor and burgesses of Newcastle-upon-Tyne of the other part; reciting, that *John March*, by his will, gave 100 *l.* to be placed in the town chamber of Newcastle by Robert Atkinson and George Farnaby, his executors, to remain there for ever; the mayor and burgesses of the said town giving sufficient security to the said executors for employing the same in the manner thereafter mentioned, viz. that the said 100 *l.* should, yearly or every second year at the furthest, be lent out by the mayor and burgesses unto the honest and least wealthy of

of the young men of the Fellowship or Company of Merchants, or any other free burgess inhabiting in the town and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, upon good security for payment of the same, with 10*l.* interest for the use thereof, and for the duly employing of the said 10*l.*, according to the will of the said John March; and further reciting, that the said mayor and burgesses had received the said 100*l.*, they covenanted that they would let out the said 100*l.* to one, two, three or more persons as mentioned in the said will; and that they would take 10*l.* a year for the use thereof, and pay the same according to the will of the said John March: viz., 5*l.* thereof yearly to the poorest and neediest of the inhabitants of Newcastle, at the discretion of the mayor and burgesses and their successors; and the other 5*l.* to be paid and distributed amongst the poor people inhabiting and dwelling in the parish of Heighington, on a certain day yearly, by the said mayor and burgesses to be appointed for the same.

Of course none could be found to pay 10*l.* per cent. per annum for 100*l.*, and the money remains in the hands of the corporation, who pay annually to the minister and churchwardens of Heighington the sum of 4*l.*; and they and the 12, on New Year's-day, pay it, with other charity money, in sums varying from 1*s.* to 5*s.*, amongst poor persons of that parish, a list of whom is furnished by the overseer. The corporation has paid this 4*l.* a year since about the year 1660.

*Westgate Hospital.*

In March 1815, the corporation of Newcastle erected an hospital within the town, called the Westgate Hospital, for the reception of 16 poor and decayed burgesses and their wives, four single men, and 20 widows or single women, relicts or daughters of burgesses.

Under an order of common council the inmates of this hospital receive the following payments; viz., each married couple, 1*l.* every four weeks, and each single man and single woman, 1*l.* every four weeks, besides coals. The governor, who is selected from the inmates, and who has charge of the rest, receives 2*l.* per annum extra. Vacancies are supplied as they occur by the mayor, aldermen and common council, out of the aged and infirm.

20 February 1833.

John Clayton,  
Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Newcastle-upon-Tyne.*

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS OR TRADES.
John Erasmus Blackett -	Gentleman.
Robert Hopper Williamson -	Barrister-at-Law (Recorder.)
Archibald Reed - - -	Banker.
Joseph Forster - - -	Merchant.
Thomas Clennell - - -	- - Formerly a Barrister-at-Law, but before his election to the office of alderman was (and still is) a magistrate for the county of Northumberland, and for many years was the chairman of the bench of magistrates of that county.
Thomas Smith - - -	Merchant and Shipowner.
Henry Cramlington - -	Shipowner and Underwriter.
Isaac Cookson the younger -	Merchant.
Sir Thomas Burdon, knight -	Common Brewer and Coalowner.
George Forster - - -	Gentleman.
Benjamin Sorsbie - - -	Merchant.
Isaac Cookson - - -	- - Glass Manufacturer, and Iron and Steel Merchant.
Aubone Surtees - - -	Wine Merchant and Coalowner.
Robert Bell - - -	Coalowner.
William Wright - - -	- - No trade or profession. He was formerly a Timber Merchant.
George Shadforth - - -	Timber Merchant and Glass Manufacturer.
Christopher Cookson - -	Barrister-at-Law (Recorder.)
John Brandling - - -	Coalowner.
James Losh - - -	Barrister-at-Law (Recorder.)

13 February 1833.

John Clayton,  
Town Clerk.

CORPORATION OF NEWPORT, MONMOUTH.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

A FIELD called The Marshes, situate within the borough of Newport, containing 44 acres and 13 perches. The grass growing on that field, together with the latter math, is sold by auction at Midsummer in each year, and the produce equally divided between the burgesses and the widows of deceased burgesses resident in the borough, and who have resided therein from the Christmas twelvemonth next preceding the sale.

A parcel of land, formerly part of The Marshes, but now divided therefrom by a turnpike road, and forming part of a reservoir of water made for supplying the Newport mill and forge with water, containing 3 A. 3 R. 15 P., and which on the 25th day of October 1805, was, at a meeting of the mayor aldermen and burgesses, agreed to be sold to the late Sir Robert Salusbury, bart., the then proprietor of the mill and forge, for the purpose of forming part of the said reservoir, for the sum of 403 l. 10 s. That purchase-money has not been paid, nor has the land been conveyed, but interest thereon, at the rate of 5 l. per cent. per annum, was paid by the said Sir Robert Salusbury during his life, and subsequent to his decease, by Messrs. Williams and Prothero, the present proprietors of the mill and forge, to the resident burgesses and widows of deceased burgesses, which has been appropriated as the produce of The Marshes.

A plot of land, usually called the Mayor's Plot, surrounded by the premises called the Newport Mill and Forge, and containing 2 R. 13 P., which was agreed to be sold at the meeting held 21st of October 1805, to Sir Robert Salusbury, bart., for 72 l. 5 s. That plot has not been conveyed nor the purchase-money paid, but interest thereon, at five per cent. per annum, has been paid to the mayor for the time being, for his own use, by the proprietors of the mill and forge.

A wharf and quay, situate on the river Usk, within the said borough, in the occupation of Mr. George Gething, of the borough of Newport, merchant, under a lease, dated the 1st day of January 1827, made between the mayor and aldermen of the borough of Newport of the one part, and the said George Gething of the other part, whereby the said mayor and aldermen granted, demised and leased unto the said George Gething, his executors, administrators and assigns, the said wharf and quay, by the description of "all that wharf, quay and landing-place on the river Usk, and between the said river and the Monmouthshire Canal, called or known by the name of the Corporation Wharf, with the slip, warehouses and erections lately erected and set up thereon," for the term of 21 years from the 29th day of September then next preceding, at and under the yearly rent of 102 l. 10 s., clear of all taxes, repairs and other outgoing.

A wharf and timber-yard, situate adjoining the river Usk, within the said borough of Newport, in the occupation of Rebecca Harrhy, widow, at the yearly rent of 10 l., clear of all taxes and other outgoing.

A piece or parcel of ground within the said borough, in the occupation of Thomas Jones, of the said borough of Newport, blacksmith, under a lease, dated 1st of September 1825, made between the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Newport of the one part, and the said Thomas Jones of the other part, whereby the said mayor and aldermen granted, demised and leased the said piece or parcel of ground by the description of "all that piece or parcel of ground adjoining the towing-path of the Monmouthshire Canal, on which the said Thomas Jones has erected a blacksmith's shop and other buildings, situate in the town of Newport, together with the said blacksmith's shop, shed and other buildings so erected and set up by him as aforesaid," for the term of 50 years from the 2d day of September then last past, at and under the yearly rent of 2 l. 2 s., clear of all taxes, repairs and other outgoing.

A plot of ground within the said borough of Newport in the occupation of Mary Francis, widow, at the yearly rent of 15 s.

The rents from the said four several last-mentioned premises, viz. the wharf in the occupation of George Gething, the wharf in the occupation of Rebecca Harrhy, the piece of ground in the occupation of Thomas Jones, and the plot of ground in the occupation of Mary Francis, amounting in the whole, annually, to 115 l. 7 s., have been received up to Michaelmas last by the town-clerk, out of which there has been annually paid to the senior alderman of the said borough, who, as senior alderman, is a justice of the peace within the said borough, as a stipend or salary for performing that office, the sum of 30 l.; to the town clerk a stipend or salary of 25 l.; to the bailiffs of the said borough, who have the custody of the lock-up-house, a house of confinement in the said borough of persons committed thereto by the magistrates of the said borough, a stipend or salary of 4 l. 4 s., and to the clerk of the markets of the said borough, a stipend or salary of 5 l.; and the residue has been expended under the direction of the mayor and resident aldermen, who, until the year 1821, expended about from 30 l. to 35 l. in an annual dinner, which was discontinued in that year.

Out of that fund considerable sums have been from time to time expended in public sewers, paying night watchmen, in supplying a fire-engine, in contributing to an organ for the church and some other improvements in the town, in occasional contributions for relief of the poor in times of peculiar distress, in small sums to poor burgesses, and in subscriptions to the British school established at Newport.

The burgesses at large have objected to the mayor and aldermen further continuing to dispose of those rents, and contend that the resident burgesses have a right to the receipt and appropriation thereof, in common with the mayor and aldermen, the latter being to be considered only as burgesses for that purpose.

The corporation claim to be entitled to the following other lands and hereditaments, namely,

A wharf and warehouse erected thereon, now in the occupation of George Gething and others, as tenants to Sir Charles Morgan, bart., the recorder of the borough. That wharf and warehouse adjoin the wharf and quay before described, and a committee of the burgesses have had a conference with Sir Charles Morgan's agent on the subject of their claim, and have stated it to be their intention to proceed to recover the possession from Sir Charles Morgan if the same be not given up.

It has for several years past been let at 150 l. per annum.

A parcel of land now lying unoccupied on the north side of the churchyard, open to a parcel of land in the occupation of Mr. John Brewer, and containing about two acres.

And another piece of land lying waste on the north side of the moat, called the Castle Moat.

There is no document to show in what manner the property before described was acquired.

*Thomas Prothero, Town Clerk.*

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Newport, Monmouth.*

THE following persons were sworn into the office of mayor, and, by virtue of that office, each of them became and acted as a magistrate within the said borough during the year of his mayoralty :

William Foster	- - - -	A retired Brewer	- - - -	3 November	1812.
Robert Jones	- - - -	A Merchant	- - - -	1 —	1813.
George Griffiths	- - - -	Saddler	- - - -	—	1814.
William Williams	- - - -	Merchant	- - - -	4 —	1815.
John Williams	- - - -	Maltster	- - - -	7 —	1816.
William Foster	- - - -	Retired Brewer	- - - -	16 October	1817.
George Griffiths	- - - -	Saddler	- - - -	16 November	1818.
William Brewer	- - - -	Surgeon	- - - -	17 —	1819.
Abraham Jones	- - - -	Druggist	- - - -	15 —	1820.
David Harthy	- - - -	Wine Merchant	- - - -	30 October	1821.
Thomas Jones Phillips	- - - -	Attorney-at-Law	- - - -	7 November	1822.
William Williams	- - - -	Merchant	- - - -	11 —	1823.
George Griffiths	- - - -	Saddler	- - - -	2 —	1824.
William Brewer	- - - -	Surgeon	- - - -	1 —	1825.
Abraham Jones	- - - -	Druggist	- - - -	14 —	1826.
David Harthy	- - - -	Wine Merchant	- - - -	10 January	1828.
Benjamin Thomas	- - - -	Butcher	- - - -	19 November	1828.
Richard Rogers	- - - -	A retired Mercer	- - - -	3 —	1829.
Edmund Jones	- - - -	Timber Merchant	- - - -	2 —	1830.
John Owen	- - - -	Timber Merchant	- - - -	14 December	1831.
John Williams	- - - -	Brewer	- - - -	7 November	1832.

The following persons were sworn, and became and acted as magistrates and justices of the peace within the said borough, as the two senior aldermen of the said borough :

Thomas George, maltster, from the year 1805 to his decease in 1817.

William Phillips, esq., during the last 20 years, still is and acts as a magistrate within the borough.

The Rev. Thomas Leyson, clerk, from 1817 to 1821, when he resigned.

John Williams, maltster, from 1821 to the present time.

*Thomas Prothero, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF NEWPORT, IN THE ISLE OF WIGHT.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Charitable Funds or other Property.	How Acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were Given.	How Distributed or Applied.
A messuage or dwelling-house, large garden and yard, in Lugley-street and St. James's-street, in this borough, now the free school and master's residence, containing together about one acre.	- - Part given by Sir Thos. Fleming, knight, on the 1st October 1614. Other, and a much greater part, by the then mayor and burgesses. The remainder purchased for 16 <i>l.</i> on the 20th November 1625, out of monies given by John Pittes for the maintenance of the free school.	For a school - -	Used for free-school.
A meadow, called Grace Land, containing about one acre, in the parish of Carisbrooke.	- - Conveyed by Sir Richard Worsley, baronet, to the corporation, on the 25th May 1617.	- - For the use and benefit of the new school then built in Newport.	Ten shillings for the poor in an almshouse, and the remainder to the master of the free-school. N.B.—The master is the Rev. George Richards, A.M. who was appointed by the corporation in 1794. Fifteen boys at least, being the sons of poor tradesmen and others of the town of Newport, are now instructed by the master, and an usher who is appointed and paid by him, without any expense, except for their books and stationery. Vacancies in their number being supplied by the mayor for the time being.
A messuage, called the Chauntry House, in Pyle-street, in Newport. Half an acre of land in Shide Field, near Newport. A storehouse and yard in Lugley-street, in Newport.	Conveyed, on the 24th July 1617, by Sir Thomas Fleming, knight, to the mayor and burgesses.	For the benefit, maintenance and perpetual support of the new school: subject to a quit rent of 10 <i>s.</i> per annum.	
The public-house, called the Curriers' Arms, in the High-street of Newport.	- - Conveyed on the 18th May 1623, by Daniel Serle to the corporation.	- - To give 10 <i>s.</i> a year to the poor in the Upper Almshouses, and the residue for the support of the school.	
A meadow in the parish of Carisbrooke, containing - A. R. P. - 3 0 20 Another meadow, containing - 3 0 14 Another meadow, containing - 7 0 9 Another meadow, containing - 11 0 17 Another meadow, containing - 5 0 29	These lands were part of the property of the corporation, and were, in 1619, appropriated by the then mayor and burgesses.	- - For the support of the school.	

Charitable Funds or other Property.	How Acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were Given.	How Distributed or Applied.
Six small dwellings of one room each, on the south side of Crocker-street, in this borough; and a yearly charge of 10 <i>l.</i> issuing out of the manors of Chale and Walpan, in the Isle of Wight.	-- Conveyed, on the 17th May 1618, by Sir Richard Worsley, bart. to the corporation.	-- To maintain an almshouse for five or more poor aged and impotent widow women of the borough of Newport or the parish of Godshill, to be placed there by the corporation.	-- Strictly as directed. The building is occupied by six poor widows, who receive the 10 <i>l.</i> yearly.
A fee-farm rent of 53 <i>l.</i> 16 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , issuing out of the manor of Overton, in the county of York.	-- Given by the will of John Mann, esq., dated 31st January 1688, to the corporation.  ferment in the world of poor orphans and others in this town and borough; and after that for the maintenance and provision of poor ancient or impotent people within this town, and not otherwise.	-- To be applied, in the first place, to the maintenance, education, placing out, setting up and other preferment in the world of poor orphans and others in this town and borough; and after that for the maintenance and provision of poor ancient or impotent people within this town, and not otherwise.	-- In apprenticing and placing out poor children within this borough, giving preference in all cases to orphans.

21 February 1833.

W. Hearne, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Newport.

NAMES.	Profession, Trade or Rank.	Corporate Office.	Whether now Living or not.
*Edward Rushworth - - -	Esquire, M.P. - - -	Recorder - - -	Dead.
*Sir Leonard Thomas Worsley Holmes.	Baronet, M.P. - - -	-- First as Deputy Recorder, subsequently Recorder.	
James Clarke - - -	Solicitor - - -	Deputy Recorder - - -	
*John Delgarno - - -	Esquire, M.P. - - -	Alderman - - -	
John Popham - - -	Esquire - - -	Alderman - - -	
Benjamin Jolliffe - - -	Doctor of Physic - - -	Alderman - - -	
Peter Geary - - -	Clerk - - -	Alderman - - -	Living.
† Sir Richard Bassett - - -	Knight, a Banker - - -	Senior Alderman - - -	
† The Right hon. Charles Anderson, Baron Yarborough.	Peer of the Realm - - -	Recorder - - -	
Thomas Sewell - - -	Solicitor - - -	Deputy Recorder - - -	
Charles Bassett Roe - - -	Banker - - -	Alderman (late Mayor) - - -	
Percy Scott - - -	-- Officer in the army on half-pay.	Alderman (now Mayor) - - -	
Henry Blake - - -	Corn Merchant - - -	Senior Alderman - - -	

The Justices of the Peace for this borough are the Mayor, the last Mayor, two senior Aldermen, the Recorder and Deputy Recorder. The Mayor is elected by the Corporation from amongst the Aldermen. The Recorder is appointed by the King, the Deputy Recorder by the Recorder. The Justices have separate and exclusive jurisdiction within the borough.

Those marked thus \* were also Justices of the Peace for the county of Southampton.

Those marked thus † are now also Justices of the Peace for the county of Southampton.

The term "Magistrate" is not understood to include the Judges of the Court of Record, who are the Mayor, Recorder, Deputy Recorder, and all the Aldermen; nor the Steward of the Court Leet, who is the Town Clerk for the time being. This Return comprises, therefore, only the Justices of the Peace.

13 February 1833.

W. Hearne, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF NORTHAMPTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*St. Thomas's Hospital.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
			£. s. d.
Tenement - - Newland - -	- - - - -	Unknown - - - - -	9 - -
Stable and garden - ditto - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	5 - -
Two tenements and piece of ground, St. Mary-street.	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	13 - -
Tenement, Abington-street - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	22 1 -
Tenement, Newland - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	5 10 -
Two tenements, Abington-street	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	63 10 -
Two tenements and piece of ground, Dern-gate.	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	21 - -
Ground and buildings, Angel-lane -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	14 - -
Tenements - - - - ditto - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	7 7 -
Tenement, Bridge-street - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	77 - -
Tenement, called the Quart Pot -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	2 10 -
Several tenements, Horse-market -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	44 - -
Two tenements and garden, Silver- street.	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	13 10 -
Tenement - - - Silver-street - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	1 - -
Two tenements - - - ditto - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	2 10 -
Three tenements and garden, Mayor- hold.	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	17 - -
Garden, Mayorhold - - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	2 - -
Close near the cotton-mills - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	24 10 -
Tenement, next the Peacock - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	12 - -
Tenement, Drum-lane - - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	10 - -
Tenement, Gold-street - - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	8 10 -
Stables and ground, Woolmonger- street.	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	14 - -
Garden, ditto - - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	5 5 -
Rent-charge on house, Wood-hill -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	- 2 -
Two closes, Boughton - - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	50 - -
Several cottages and piece of ground, Boughton.	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	10 - -
Tenement, Sheep street - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	12 - -
Half an acre of ground at Barton -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	1 - -
Use of the hospital wall - - - -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	- 5 -
Piece of ground, Northampton-field -	- - - - -	Ditto - - - - -	2 - -
Eight tenements, Abington-street, Northampton.	- - Will of Edward Elmar, dated 24 June 1592.	- - So much of the rents as the mayor, bailiffs and burgesses should think necessary to be ap- plied for the relief of a poor householder within the town of Northampton, to be placed in St. Thomas's Hospital, and the resi- due of the rents to the use of the other poor people there.	66 10 -
Two tenements, Gold-street - - -	- - - ditto - - - - -	- - - ditto - - - - -	40 - -
Tenement and stable, Horse-market	- - By deed, 30 August 1686, Edward Pickering and wife.	- - For the poor people of St. Thomas's Hospital.	16 - -
Close, St. Edmund's End - - - -	- - Will of Agnes Hopkins, 8th January 1593.	- - - ditto - - - - -	6 - -
Tenements, near St Peter's church -	- - Deed, 2d April, 41 Eliz. Thomas Hopkins.	- - - ditto - - - - -	2 - -

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*Sillesby's Charity.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Tenement, Horse-market, Northampton.	- - Will of Matthew Sillesby, dated 18th April 1662.	- - To repair two tenements in Horse-market, and to maintain two poor widows or widowers of the said town of Northampton, and more especially of the parish of All Saints.	£. s. d. 3 - -
Ditto - - - - -	- - - ditto - - -	- - - ditto - - -	7 17 6
Small part of an orchard or garden, Cow-lane.	- - - ditto - - -	- - - ditto - - -	- 12 -
Close, St. Edmund's End - - -	- - - ditto - - -	- - - ditto - - -	21 - -
Tenement, Newland - - - -	- - - ditto - - -	- - - ditto - - -	26 - -
		£.	58 9 6

*How Distributed and Applied.*

The rents of these Estates are applied to and for the benefit of two poor widows, as set forth in the following Statement of Disbursements, taken from the Treasurer's accounts, for the year ended at Michaelmas 1832:—

	£. s. d.
Widow Kirshaw, one year's allowance, due Michaelmas 1832 - - - - -	23 - -
Widow Balaam, half ditto, due Lady-day 1832, when she died - - - - -	11 10 -
Poor's Taxes to All Saints' Parish - - - - -	- 18 -
Catherine Marshall, widow, half a year's allowance, due Michaelmas 1832 (appointed in the room of Widow Balaam - - - - -	11 10 -
One year's pavement tax, due Midsummer 1832 - - - - -	- 4 6
Repairs of the tenements in Horse-market - - - - -	2 7 10
Balance - - - - -	8 19 2
	£. 58 9 6

This balance, with some former accumulations, are to be laid out in repairing the tenements in the Horse-market.

*Road and Kisingbury Charity.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Meadow at Kisingbury, Northamptonshire.	- - Will of George Norwood, dated 15th July 1699.	- - For putting out poor boys apprentices, to be approved by the mayor and aldermen.	£. s. d. 64 - -
Thirty-six acres of land at Road, ditto	- - This property has been time out of mind in the possession of the corporation, and the rents and profits have been, and are now, applied as mentioned in the Statement hereafter set forth.	- - - - -	40 - -
			104 - -

*How Distributed and Applied.*

The rents of the Estates are applied for putting out poor children apprentices. The following is a Statement of the Disbursements, taken from the Treasurer's accounts for the year ended at Christmas 1832. The number of children put out varies every year:

	£. s. d.
Thirteen first premiums, at 5 <i>l.</i> each - - - - -	65 - -
One second premium - - - - -	5 - -
One year's hyde money to St. Giles and St. Sepulchre - - - - -	4 - -
Balance in hand - - - - -	30 - -
	£. 104 - -

*The 29th May Charity.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Farm-house, cottages, and 80 acres of land, at Bugbrooke.	-- Purchased in the year 1755, with 1,000 <i>l.</i> given by the Earl of Northampton, 100 <i>l.</i> by Doctor Wm. Stratford, 200 <i>l.</i> by Joseph Woolston, Esq., and 50 <i>l.</i> by William Cartwright, Esq., and settled	-- For clothing and educating poor boys, and for clothing 20 poor freemen of the town of Northampton, on the 29th May, annually, and giving to each of them 10 <i>s.</i> in money.	£. s. d. 186 - -
Interest of 720 <i>l.</i> , at 5 <i>l.</i> per cent. -	-- The trustees and executors of John Allen, by deed, dated 28th August 1823, pursuant to directions in his will.	-- To be applied in clothing and educating an additional number of poor boys in the Corporation Charity School, and in clothing three additional poor freemen on the 29th May, and giving to each of them 10 <i>s.</i> in money.	36 - -
Of the corporation, a voluntary discretionary allowance, out of their disposable fund.	- - - - -	-- In augmentation of the funds of this charity.	34 11 3
			£. 256 11 3

*How Distributed and Applied.*

- The following is a Statement of the Disbursements of the Treasurer of this Charity, taken from his accounts for the year ended at Christmas 1832:

	£. s. d.
Schoolmaster's salary - - - - -	47 10 -
Ditto - - allowance for pens, ink, fuel, &c. - - - - -	9 1 4
Merit money to the boys - - - - -	1 15 -
23 poor men, 10 <i>s.</i> each, on the 29th May - - - - -	11 10 -
Dinners for the boys on the 29th May, being the anniversary of the charity - - - - -	3 - 2
Clothing for 23 poor men and 28 poor boys - - - - -	129 4 2
Insurance from fire - - - - -	2 4 -
Books and stationery for the use of the school - - - - -	7 2 4
Repairs at the school, postage of letters, and sundry small incidental expenses - - - - -	6 11 9
Parochial and other taxes for the school - - - - -	8 5 -
Balance in hand - - - - -	30 7 6
	£. 256 11 3

*Mr. Gabriel Newton's Charity.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Rent-charge on premises near Leicester.	-- Bargain and sale, dated 27th August 1761.	-- Clothing and educating poor boys in the charity school at Northampton.	£. s. d. 26 - -
Interest of 143 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> , produce of 150 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>l.</i> per cent. consols, accumulations of this rent-charge pending a Chancery suit.	- - - - -	- - - - -	7 3 5
Of the corporation, a voluntary discretionary allowance out of their disposable fund.	- - - - -	-- In augmentation of the funds of this charity.	34 11 3
		Balance - - - - -	52 5 2½
			£. 119 19 10½

*How Distributed and Applied.*

- The following is a Statement of the Disbursements of the Treasurer of the Charity, taken from his accounts for the year ended at Christmas 1832.

	£. s. d.
Schoolmaster's salary - - - - -	47 10 -
Ditto - - allowance for pens, ink, fuel, &c. - - - - -	9 1 4
Merit money for the boys - - - - -	1 15 -
Dinners for the boys on the 29th May, being the anniversary of this charity - - - - -	3 - 2
Clothing, &c. for 25 poor boys - - - - -	48 5 7½
Books and stationery for the use of the school - - - - -	8 2 -
Postage of letters, and sundry small incidental expenses - - - - -	2 5 9
	£. 119 19 10½

The endowment being insufficient, the corporation annually make up the residue out of their disposable property.

*Free Grammar School.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Close at Holcutt, Northamptonshire, and sundry unimproveable quit-rents there.	By deed, dated 1st June 1541	- - To provide a fit master or person to teach grammar to boys, without any stipend from such boys.	£. s. d. 30 - -
Tenements and bakehouse, Marefair	- - Settled by the heiress-at-law of Sir Ralph Freeman, by deed, 20 October 1634, pursuant to directions in his will.	- - For the use and benefit of the Free school in Northampton.	38 - -
Rent-charge payable out of an estate in Northampton.	Unknown - - - -	The rents have been time out of mind paid to the master of the Free Grammar-school for the time being.	1 - -
Three tenements and ground, Horse-shoe-lane.	Ditto - - - -		24 - -
Rent-charge issuing out of an estate at Lillingstone Dayrell, Bucks.	- - Paul Wentworth, by deeds dated the 25th and 26th Jan. 29 Charles the 2d.	- - Towards the maintenance of a sufficient usher to be from time to time assistant to the master of the Free Grammar-school in Northampton.	20 - -
The school (being the site and ruins of St. Gregory's church,) and tenement in Gold-street.	- - Cardinal Poole, by deed 4th March 1557.	- - The ruins of St. Gregory's church are occupied as a school, and the house is appropriated as a residence for the master.	—
		£.	113 - -

*How Distributed and Applied.*

The following is a Statement of the Disbursements of the Treasurer of this Charity for the year ended at Michaelmas 1832.

Paid the usher	£. s. d. 20 - -
The residue of the rents are paid to the master annually	93 - -
	£. 113 - -

The corporation annually pay to the treasurer the sum of 4*l.* 5*s.* as a voluntary augmentation of the funds of this charity.

*Sir Thomas White's Charity.*

THIS fund arises from the rents of certain estates at and near Coventry, settled by Sir Thomas White, knight, citizen and merchant tailor of London, by deed, dated the 6th July, 5 Edw. 6, 1552. The estates are under the management of the corporation of Coventry. Of this charity the Merchant Tailors Company of London are visitors. Four-seventh parts of the rents are received every fifth year by the corporation of Northampton to be by them lent out in loans of 100*l.* each to persons residing in Northampton, for nine years, without interest; the fund now amounts to 15,497*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* and is disposed of according to the directions of the deed of settlement, and various decrees of the Court of Chancery, the last and most important of which was 7th December, 46 Geo. 3.

*Sundry Charities.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Two closes at Duston - - -	- - Will of Richard White, 1st June 1691.	- - The rents to be divided amongst poor widows or poor men of Northampton at 10 <i>s.</i> each at St. Thomas.	£. s. d. 35 4 -
Tenement, orchard and garden, St. Giles's-street.	- - Will of Agnes Hopkins, 8 January 1593.	- - To the poor of the town of Northampton.	40 - -
Rent-charge on two tenements, Drapery.	- - John Neale, by deed, dated 11th April, 39 Eliz.	- - To 13 poor people, 2 <i>d.</i> each every Sunday.	5 12 8
Rent-charge on a tenement and close, (West Bridge.)	- - Henry Prior, by will, dated 1558.	- - To the poor people inhabiting the town of Northampton, 30 <i>s.</i>	1 10 -

*How Distributed and Applied.*

(<sup>1</sup>) The rents of these estates are applied by or under the direction of the mayor and aldermen annually, in strict conformity to the wills or deeds by which the same were settled, as above set forth.

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
Rent-charge on lands, Asherby (Lincolnshire.)	- - Will of Anthony Acham, dated 27th June 1630.	- - To be bestowed in wheaten bread to the poor people of Northampton, by even portions, six times a year, the last Sunday in March, May, July, September, November and January, yearly.	£. s. d. 8 - -
Garden, (Cow-lane) - - -	- - Will of Richard White, 1st June 1691.	- - To two poor widows, one to be of the parish of St. Peter.	30 - -
Garden, (St. Peter's parish) - -	- - Ditto - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	15 - -
Rent-charge out of Stockwell Hall, (Horse-shoe-lane.)	Will of Beatrice Ogle - -	- - To the poor of the town of Northampton.	4 - -
Tenement, (Marefair) - - -	Deed, 30th August 1686 - -	- - - Ditto - - -	7 17 6
Interest of 100 l. - - -	- - Left to the corporation by Robert Ives.	- - 20 s. for a sermon, and the residue for clothing four poor persons.	5 - - <sup>(1)</sup>
Interest of 50 l. - - -	Ditto, by John Ball - -	For clothing six poor widows -	2 10 -
500 l. left to the corporation - -	- - Will of John Evans, date not ascertained.	For apprenticing six poor boys -	30 - -
Interest of 50 l., ditto - - -	Will of Thomas Craswell -	Marriage portion for a poor maid	3 - -
Interest of money left to the corporation.	Will of — Wade - -	- - 20 s. for a sermon, 13 s. 4 d. to the churchwardens of All Saints for the use of the poor, 3 s. 4 d. to the parish clerk, and 3 s. 4 d. to the sexton.	2 - -
Ditto - - -	Will of — Freeman -	- - To be laid out in bread for the poor.	2 12 -
Rent-charge on house, Drapery -	Mr. Neale - - -	- - - - -	- 8 4 <sup>(2)</sup>
Ditto, South Bridge-foot - -	Mr. Quarrier - - -	- - - - -	- 13 4 <sup>(2)</sup>
			£. 193 7 10

*How Distributed and Applied.*

<sup>(1)</sup> The rents of these estates are applied by or under the direction of the mayor and aldermen annually, in strict conformity to the wills or deeds by which the same were settled, as above set forth.

<sup>(2)</sup> These rent-charges are supposed to have been left for the benefit of the poor, and are given away in discretionary alms by the mayor and aldermen annually.

*Disposable Property.*

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
One-third part of a meadow, called Balmsholme, Northampton.	- - Purchased 2d June, 7th Charles 1st.	These meadows are depastured by the cattle of freemen, for which a small sum for admission only is paid; they are called the Old Commons, and are charged with the 35 l. given by John Langham, Esq. for the maintenance of six almswomen up stairs in St. Thomas's Hospital; the residue in the discretion of the corporation. The gross receipts were last year -	£. s. d.
Cow-meadow, Northampton - -	Purchased 15th Feb. 1654 -		121 16 -
Calves-holme, ditto - - -	- - Ditto - - -		
One-third part of Balmsholme, ditto -	- - Ditto - - -		
Midsummer-meadow, ditto - -	- - Ditto - - -		
Foot-meadow and Mill-holme, ditto -	Purchased 10th June 1656 -		
Manor, called Gobion's Manor, in Northampton; farm-house and homestead, and divers parcels of land lying dispersed in the open and common fields of Northampton, and on the inclosure in the year 1779, the commissioners awarded to the corporation five allotments, amounting together to 133 A. 1 R. 20 P., let to various tenants.	Purchased 20th April 1622 -	- - The disposable property of the corporation.	598 5 -

Property, and where Situate.	How Acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given.	Annual Rent.
A meadow and two closes in Northampton-field.	-- Taken in exchange of Edward Bouverie, Esq. for land in the parish of Hardingstone, by deed, dated 30th November 1827.	-- The disposable property of the corporation.	£. s. d. 158 - -
Close, called New-pastures, Northampton.	Purchased 12th April 1690 -	- - - Ditto - - -	35 - -
Close, called the Town-wall Close -	-- Part of the ancient fortification of the town, being the site of the old wall, and part of the waste lands, granted by charter, and subsequent confirmations.	- - - Ditto - - -	6 10 -
Four tenements in St. Catherine's, piece of ground in ditto, piece of ground in St. Edmund's-end, and two tenements adjoining each other on the Market-square.	-- Waste ground, and erections thereon, to which the corporation were entitled as lords of the manor, and by grants under their various charters.	- - - Ditto - - -	94 2 6
Seven tenements, Bridge-street and Kingswell-street, and piece of ground, Kingswell-street.	Unknown - - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	25 - -
Rent-charge on lands at Boughton -	Ditto - - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	- 12 9
Two small closes, Milton and Wootton.	Ditto - - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	37 - -
Garden, Boughton - - - -	Ditto - - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	- 5 -
Three warehouses under the Guildhall.	-- The Guildhall is an ancient building, and the corporation have no document to show how they came into possession of it.	- - - Ditto - - -	17 10 -
Ground on which the butchers' stalls are set up on the Market-square.	Grants from the Crown -	- - - Ditto - - -	90 - -
Tolls - - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	- - - Ditto - - -	200 - -
Two warehouses under the charity-school.	-- Erected by the corporation out of their disposable funds.	- - - Ditto - - -	10 - -
Three tenements, Fish-street and Dychurch-lane.	-- Taken in exchange for stable and piece of ground in Northampton, by deed.	- - - Ditto - - -	16 - -
Iron standard, Market-square - -	-- Provided by the corporation, about 10 years ago, for enabling persons to weigh commodities bought and sold in the market.	- - - Ditto - - -	- 6 -
Close, Northampton-field, containing 3 A. 3 R. 9 P.	-- Awarded, on the inclosure of the fields, to the bailiffs, as owners of a greensward ground, then called the Mounts, and two third parts of a bit of meadow ground called the Bailiff's Hook.	-- Received by the general treasurer, and by him paid over to the two bailiffs for the time being, towards their expenses of serving the office of bailiffs.	31 - -
House and yard, Fish-lane - - -	Purchased 20th April 1622 -	-- At the disposal of the corporation, who have permitted the same to be converted into a town gaol, for which no rent is paid.	- - -
Small plot of garden ground, Riding-school yard.	Purchased - - - -	- - - The disposable property of the corporation.	8 5 -
			£. 1,449 12 3

*How Distributed and Applied.*

Payments which the Corporation are bound to pay Annually, as appears by the last Year's Accounts ending at Michaelmas 1832.

	£.	s.	d.
Allen's Charity to Beckett's and Serjeant's School - - - - -	9	-	-
Ditto - - to the Corporation Charity Schools and the 29th May Charity - (The corporation took the principal and gave security for the interest.)	36	-	-
Distributed by the mayor and aldermen amongst the poor at Christmas in charity	26	10	-
To a poor person (Thomas Thacker), called a lazarman - - - - -	12	-	-
Elkington's Gift, and other payments to the town clerk - - - - -	8	10	5
Warden of St. Thomas's Hospital, rent of a piece of ground - - - - -	2	-	-
The dean and canons of Windsor, part of a fee-farm rent reserved to the Crown -	66	15	4
Mr. Finch, residue of the fee-farm rent reserved to the Crown - - - - -	31	6	8
Cresswell's Gift to a poor maid to prefer her in marriage - - - - -	3	-	-
Paving tax - - - - -	47	5	-
Minister's dues to All Saints, for the commons, 8 s. 2 d. half-yearly - - -	-	15	5 ½
Warden of St. Thomas's Hospital, Mr. John Langham's Charity - - - - -	35	-	-
Chief-rent for Balmsholme Meadow - - - - -	-	5	10
Vicar of St. St. Giles's, out of St. George's Leys - - - - -	-	1	-
Rector of St. Peter, out of Foot Meadow - - - - -	-	1	6
Neal Prior's and Chipsey's gifts to the chamberlain - - - - -	-	6	8
Ives's rent-charge out of Mill-holme Meadow - - - - -	5	-	-
Interest of money left by Mr. Ball - - - - -	2	10	-
Freeman's charity, in bread to the poor - - - - -	2	12	-
Interest of 143 l. 9 s., the produce of 150 l. stock belonging to Newton's Charity -	7	3	5
Neale and Quarrier's gift to the poor - - - - -	1	1	8
Poor's taxes and other rates to All Saints, St. Giles's, St. Peter and Hardingstone	57	8	6 ½
Evans's Charity, for apprenticing poor boys - - - - -	30	-	-

Payments at the discretion of the Corporation, as appears by the last Year's Accounts, ending at Michaelmas 1832 :

Allowance to the mayor, being about half the expenses incurred by him in serving the office - - - - -	150	-	-
Deputy-recorder's salary - - - - -	32	-	6
Mace-bearer and corporation servants - - - - -	20	4	-
Sexton of All Saints attending the mayor to church - - - - -	1	6	8
Expenses of four quarterly courts of aldermen - - - - -	21	-	-
Allowance to the bailiffs last year - - - - -	52	10	-
Insurance from fire - - - - -	3	1	-
Gratuity to the vicar of All Saints - - - - -	26	5	-
For the better support of the Brown-coat charity school - - - - -	34	11	3
Ditto - - ditto - of Mr. Gabriel Newton's charity school - - - - -	34	11	3
Mace-bearer, a year's salary relieving vagrants, due Michaelmas 1832 - - -	10	10	-
A voluntary payment by the corporation out of their discretionary fund to the master of the free grammar-school - - - - -	4	5	-
Voluntary subscription to the General Infirmary at Northampton - - - - -	15	15	-
Mayor's serjeant and serjeants-at-mace, in lieu of certain perquisites - - -	23	1	6
* Margaret Hayes, a year's annuity, by order of assembly - - - - -	10	10	-
* Sarah Tresslove, three quarters' annuity to the time of her death - - -	7	17	6
* Sarah Segary, a year's annuity, by order of assembly - - - - -	10	10	-
* Millicent Donne, the like - - - - -	10	10	-
* Ann Cooke, widow, five quarters, the like - - - - -	13	2	6
* John Ward (late serjeant-at-mace,) a year's annuity, by order of assembly -	20	-	-
Samuel Wickings, a year's salary as hall-keeper - - - - -	29	-	-
For instructing the charity school children to sing at All Saints church - -	10	-	-
Allowance to the general treasurer for collecting rents - - - - -	-	13	4
Allowance to the treasurer of the tolls and butchers' stalls - - - - -	-	13	4
Musicians and constables attending on the anniversary of the 29th May Charity -	8	15	-
The like at the anniversary of the General Infirmary and the anniversary meeting of the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts - - - - -	8	3	-
Serjeants-at-mace proclaiming the sessions - - - - -	1	4	-
Subscription to be added to a sweepstakes to be run for at Northampton races -	30	-	-
Expenses on the cattle being branded into the commons - - - - -	12	12	10 ½
Expenses on St. Thomas's-day - - - - -	19	2	6
Paid for the bull for the commons - - - - -	7	10	-
Four quarters pavement-tax for the commons, due Midsummer - - - - -	4	13	-
Various payments for work done at the commons, meadows and public walks, repairs of buildings, and sundry incidental expenses - - - - -	194	12	2
£.	1,213	3	10 ½

\* These are pensioners on the voluntary bounty of the corporation.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Northampton.*

1813	William Brown, Mayor	-	-	-	Tanner.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Charles Smith	-	-	-	Lace-merchant and Banker.
	Francis Osborn	-	-	-	Corn-merchant and Innholder.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
1814	William Brown, Mayor	-	-	-	Tanner.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	Francis Osborn	-	-	-	Corn-merchant and Innholder.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
1815	William Brown, Mayor	-	-	-	Tanner.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1816	Francis Mulliner, Mayor	-	-	-	Coachmaker.
	William Brown	-	-	-	Tanner.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1817	John Barrett, Mayor	-	-	-	Organist.
	Francis Mulliner	-	-	-	Coachmaker.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
1818	William Birdsall, Mayor	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	John Barrett	-	-	-	Organist.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1819	Robert Smithson, Mayor	-	-	-	Printer.
	William Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1820	William Henfrey, Mayor	-	-	-	Innholder.
	Robert Smithson	-	-	-	Printer.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Banker.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1821	Pickering Phipps, Mayor	-	-	-	Common Brewer.
	William Henfrey	-	-	-	Innholder.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	William Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
1822	George Osborn, Jun., Mayor	-	-	-	Banker and Grocer.
	Pickering Phipps	-	-	-	Common Brewer.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	William Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
1823	James Birdsall, Mayor	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	George Osborn, Jun.	-	-	-	Banker and Grocer.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	William Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
1824	James Castell, Mayor	-	-	-	Draper.
	James Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	William Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
1825	Edward Gates, Mayor	-	-	-	Draper.
	James Castell	-	-	-	Draper.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	William Birdsall	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
1826	Daniel Hewlett, Esq., Mayor	-	-	-	Captain and Adjutant in the Northamptonshire Regiment of Militia.
	Edward Gates	-	-	-	Draper.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
1827	Francis Mulliner, Mayor	-	-	-	Coachmaker.
	Daniel Hewlett, Esq.	-	-	-	Captain and Adjutant in the Northamptonshire Regiment of Militia.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.



1828	John Marshall, Mayor	-	-	-	Grocer.
	Francis Mulliner	-	-	-	Coachmaker.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
1829	John Marshall, Mayor	-	-	-	Grocer.
	Francis Mulliner	-	-	-	Coachmaker.
	Samuel Holt	-	-	-	Maltster and Architect.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Thomas Armfield	-	-	-	Draper.
1830	Henry Lenton Stockburn, Mayor	-	-	-	Grocer.
	John Marshall	-	-	-	Grocer.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Robert Smithson	-	-	-	Printer.
	George Osborn	-	-	-	Grocer.
1831	John Phipps, Mayor	-	-	-	Draper.
	Henry Lenton Stockburn	-	-	-	Grocer.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
	John Marshall	-	-	-	Grocer.
1832	John Freeman, Mayor	-	-	-	Printer, Bookseller, Stationer, and Grocer.
	John Phipps	-	-	-	Draper.
	Charles Freeman	-	-	-	Gentleman.
	Marmaduke Newby	-	-	-	Timber-merchant, Coal-merchant and Maltster.
	John Marshall	-	-	-	Grocer.

S. Brook Jeffs,  
Town Clerk of Northampton.

## CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORWICH.

### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*The Great Hospital.*—Founded originally by Walter Suffield, *alias* Calthorp, Bishop of Norwich, and enlarged by charter of Henry 8, and Edward 6, and subsequently endowed with manors, estates, lands, bequests and donations by private individuals, the produce of which is expended in the maintenance and clothing of men and women aged 60 years and upwards, in the support of a master the chaplain, the master, and sub-master of the Free Grammar-school, and stipends to the ministers of different parishes in Norfolk and Norwich. In this hospital are 85 men and 81 women, and the numbers have been increased since 1826 from 118 to its present number. The master of the hospital, the chaplain, and other offices, are in the gift of the aldermen, and the poor persons are nominated by them in rotation; but the management of the estates, and the regulation of the finances, are under the direction of the aldermen and common council.

*Doughty's Hospital.*—Founded by William Doughty, gentleman, who, by his will, dated 1687, bequeathed 6,000*l.* for endowing this hospital, and which was, as directed, laid out in the purchase of real estate, and the property has been increased by pecuniary donations and legacies. The dividends arising from money vested in Government security, and the rents of estates, are expended in weekly payments to the master, and to the poor men and women in the said hospital, who are admitted at the age of 60 years and afterwards, also in providing them with clothes, and an allowance of coals to each person; an apartment is allotted to each, and a nurse appointed to attend upon such as are sick. There are 28 men and 10 women in this hospital, besides the master.

*The Boys' Hospital.*—Founded by Thomas Anguish, mayor of Norwich 1611, and confirmed by charter of Charles 1. Mr. Anguish bequeathed a house and ground for the reception, bringing up and teaching of poor children until they attain the age of 14 years. Several bequests and donations have from time to time taken place, and the property consists of real estate and money in the public funds, and 61 boys are now educated and clothed, besides an allowance of money while they remain in the school, and the boys are not now received into the house, but their parents receive annually 10*l.* each in lieu of maintenance, and on quitting the school, a premium of 10*l.* is allowed to place each boy out as an apprentice.

*The Girls' Hospital.*—Was erected and endowed by Robert Baron, esq., mayor of Norwich 1649, for the education of girls from the age of 7 to 15 years. The funds of this hospital have been increased by various bequests and donations, and consist of real estate and money on Government security, and there are now 50 girls educated and clothed, and the sum of 8*l.* is annually paid to the parents of each girl in lieu of maintenance, and 3*l.* allowed with each girl on her going to service. The school has lately been, for greater convenience, removed to the site occupied by the Boys' Hospital, but the accounts have been and are kept quite distinct.

The master and mistress of these two last mentioned hospitals are appointed by the Court of Aldermen, and the children are nominated by them in rotation, but the management of the funds is under the control of the aldermen and common council jointly.

*Fisher's Charity.*—Luke Fisher, by his will, dated 30th October 1638, gave a messuage, two cottages, and 68 acres of land, situate in the parish of Elme, in the isle of Ely, in the county of Cambridge, to the use of the poor of the parish of St. John's Sepulchre, in this city, the rents and profits thereof to be distributed in coals, coats and gowns. No poor person to be entitled to a coat or gown but once in three years. This bequest is distributed annually according to the directions of the will, and is under the direction of the aldermen of Bear-street ward.

Craske's

*Craske's Charity.*—Alderman Robert Craske, by his will, dated 22d May 1638, left an estate, in the parish of St. John's Sepulchre, the rents to be applied as follows: to the minister of St. Julian's, for preaching a sermon on St. Stephen's-day, 5 s.; to the clerk, 6 d.; and for ringing the bell, 6 d.; to the minister of St. Audrey (Etheldred), for preaching a sermon on St. John's-day, the like; to the minister of St. Peter Southgate, for preaching a sermon on New Year's-day, the like; the residue to be divided by the alderman of South Conisford Ward, one-third to the poor of St. Audrey and Trowse Millgate, and one-third to the poor of St. Peter's Southgate.

*Vere's Charity.*—Thomas Vere, esquire, by his will, dated 12th February 1767, bequeathed to the mayor, sheriffs, &c. of Norwich, the sum of 100 l. The yearly interest of 3 l. 10 s. to be paid to the alderman of South Conisford, to be applied once in two years in binding out apprentice for seven years one poor boy, who can read and write, and has been educated in the principles of the Established Church. This money is in the 3½ per cents.

*Briggs's Charity.*—Augustine Briggs, by will, dated 1684, directed his executors to lay out the sum of 200 l., the interest arising therefrom to be applied in binding out two boys apprentice from the parish of St. Peter Southgate, and in default of binding out such boys, the money to be put into the Hanaper for the relief of the poor of the said parish of St. Peter Southgate.

*Pendleton's Charity.*—Mrs. Elizabeth Pendleton, by will, dated 26th June 1676, gave to the corporation certain estates in Norwich, the rents and profits thereof to be applied in clothing poor people and binding out poor boys.

*Warnes's Charity.*—The Rev. Edward Warnes, by will, dated 28th February 1694, gave his estate at Little Hautbois, in the county of Norfolk (after the decease of his wife), to the corporation of Norwich, the rents and profits thereof to be by the aldermen of North Conisford Ward distributed in coals, clothes and money to the poor of the parish of St. Peter per Mountergate.

*Bickerdike's Charity.*—Alderman Nicholas Bickerdike, by his will, dated 27th December 1701, left an estate situate in the parish of St. Peter's Mancroft, the rents and profits thereof to be applied in binding out two or three boys apprentice, if sufficient money for that purpose.

The boys to be taken out of Mancroft Ward, but one boy to be out of St. Giles' parish constantly. The estate has been sold and the money invested in the funds.

*Seaman's Charity.*—Sir Peter Seaman, knight, by will, dated 2d December 1715, left estates in Norwich, the rents thereof to be applied in binding out two poor boys, who had been educated in the principles of the Established Church.

The boys to be taken from the several parishes of St. Gregory, St. George's Tombland, St. Simon and Jude, St. Martin at Palace, and St. Helen's.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Norwich.

NAMES.	When Elected.	Profession or Trade.
Seth William Stevenson, Mayor	2 December 1828	Printer and Stationer.
Isaac Preston, Recorder	23 December 1830	Barrister-at-Law.
Fitz Roy Kelly, Steward	1 February 1831	Barrister-at-Law.
Sir John Harrison Yallop	10 June 1809	Wine Merchant.
John Morse	1 July 1777	Esquire.
John Harvey	24 July 1787	Esquire.
Barnabas Leman	24 August 1797	Esquire.
John Browne	13 March 1798	Esquire.
James Marsh	24 July 1802	Attorney-at-Law.
John Whitaker Robberds	4 December 1806	Merchant.
William Hanks	22 September 1810	Corn Merchant.
Nathaniel Bolingbroke	25 November 1814	Wine Merchant.
William Rackham	17 February 1817	Attorney-at-Law.
Robert Hawkes	7 February 1818	Warehouseman.
Henry Francis	7 March 1820	Attorney at-Law.
Thomas Starling Day	17 March 1820	Wine Merchant.
Edward Temple Booth	6 March 1821	Merchant.
Peter Finch	26 November 1821	Brewer.
Thomas Thurtell	6 June 1814	Farmer.
Thomas Osborne Springfield	31 October 1821	Merchant.
John Angell	13 September 1827	Currier.

All the above gentlemen, except the recorder and steward, are aldermen, and have served the office of mayor, and are in consequence magistrates of the whole city and county of Norwich; and those in the above list who are described as esquires are now in no profession or trade.

The following aldermen have not yet served the office of mayor, and therefore are only magistrates for the ward for which they are respectively elected:—

John Marshall	14 October 1829	Merchant.
Edward Steward	17 September 1830	Attorney-at-Law.
Samuel Bignold	24 June 1831	Banker.
Charles Turner	3 September 1832	Schoolmaster.
Edmund Newton	9 October 1832	Attorney-at-Law.

13 February 1833.

W. Simpson, Town Clerk.

## TOWN OF NOTTINGHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Charitable Funds.	How Acquired.	For what Purposes given.	How now Applied.
<p><i>Free-School Estate :</i></p> <p>Between 60 and 70 tenements and dwelling-houses, upwards of 40 acres of land, the tithe of hay, and a ground rent, all in Nottingham. Total income last year 796<i>l.</i> 12<i>s.</i> 3<i>d.</i> The houses being, as to some, let to tenants-at-will, and, as to others, in the hands of lessees, under long building leases. The school and several of the dwelling-houses were lately fallen into decay, and have been recently rebuilt, by which the rental has been improved, but for that purpose 2,400<i>l.</i> was borrowed at 4 <math>\frac{1}{2}</math> per cent.</p>	<p>-- By grants from Dame Agnes Mellors (the foundress), in the year 1514, and subsequent ancient grants from private individuals.</p>	<p>-- For "supporting the charges, payments, and business of the said lands, tenements, and possessions, and finding the said free-school."</p>	<p>-- In payment of salaries and gratuities to the head master, usher, and writing master, coals, candles, pens, books, &amp;c. - 441 10 2</p> <p>Charges for collecting rents and tithe, and other business of the estate - 139 --</p> <p>Repairs - - - 78 --</p> <p>Interest of money borrowed to rebuild the school and some of the houses - 108 --</p>
<p><i>Gellestrop's Charity :</i></p> <p>An almshouse in Barker-gate, Nottingham, fell to decay, there being no fund for its repair, and in 1812 was pulled down, and the land sold on a 999 years' lease for 225<i>l.</i></p>	<p>-- By the will of Elizabeth Gellestrop in 1543.</p>	<p>-- Three bedehouses for three persons to dwell in, to be appointed by the mayor of Nottingham, and his successors for ever.</p>	<p>-- The 225 <i>l.</i>, bearing interest, is held by the corporation, to raise a fund for building new bedehouses. The sum now in the hands of the corporation is 389<i>l.</i> 7<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i></p>
<p><i>Sir Thomas White's Charity :</i></p> <p>Four-sevenths, every fifth year, of the net annual rent of estates at Coventry. The sum now under the care of this corporation being, outstanding bonds, 10,456<i>l.</i>; unallotted, waiting for applicants with sureties, 3,367<i>l.</i> 8<i>s.</i> 1<i>d.</i></p>	<p>-- Deed of foundation, dated 6th July 1551, between the mayor, bailiffs, and commonalty of the city of Coventry, and master and wardens of the Merchant Tailors of the City of London.</p>	<p>-- To be applied in free loans of 50<i>l.</i>, from nine years to nine years, to young men, inhabitants of Nottingham, and contingent charges.</p>	<p>-- In 50 <i>l.</i> loans for nine years, without interest, and in payment of contingent charges.</p>
<p><i>Lambley Estate :</i></p> <p>104 acres of land at Lambley, in the county of Nottingham, rental 160<i>l.</i></p>	<p>-- By voluntary purchase by the corporation, for 600 <i>l.</i>, in 1654.</p>	<p>-- To be disposed of by the mayor, aldermen, and common council of Nottingham to poor burgesses, tradesmen, and townsmen of Nottingham.</p>	<p>-- To the year 1814, in putting out poor boys apprentices, and giving with each 3 <i>l.</i></p> <p>In 1814 the erecting of almshouses, containing 22 dwellings, on land granted for 999 years by the corporation, at a peppercorn rent, was completed, and 22 poor persons (burgesses, tradesmen and townsmen,) have been since placed therein by the mayor, aldermen, and common council of Nottingham, and a ton of coals is yearly given to each of these poor persons. £. 2,700<i>l.</i> was expended in building these almshouses, and in part rebuilding the farm-house at Lambley, which is in gradual repayment: 1,100<i>l.</i> remains still unpaid.</p>
<p><i>Lady Grantham's Charity :</i></p> <p>£. 200 - - - - -</p>	<p>-- Given to the corporation in 1658.</p>	<p>-- 10 <i>l.</i> yearly to be applied to the use of the poor.</p>	<p>-- To 1814 applied in putting out poor boys apprentice, and giving with each 3 <i>l.</i> Since 1814, 10 <i>l.</i> has been yearly paid towards the sustentation of the poor in the almshouses erected from the Lambley estate.</p>
<p><i>Martin's Charity :</i></p> <p>£. 3 per annum, issuing out of a house in St. James's-street, Nottingham.</p>	<p>-- Given by the will of Henry Martin, in 1689.</p>	<p>-- To be paid into the hands of the mayor, and employed towards putting forth a poor child apprentice in each of the three parishes of St. Mary, St. Peter, and St. Nicholas, Nottingham.</p>	<p>-- 1 <i>l.</i> is yearly paid to the overseers of the poor of each of the said three parishes of St. Mary, St. Peter, and St. Nicholas.</p>

Charitable Funds.	How Acquired.	For what Purposes given.	How now Applied.
<p><i>Bilby's Almshouse :</i></p> <p>Eight dwellings in St. John's-street, Nottingham, formerly called the Backside; having a rental of 16<i>l.</i> for their support, issuing out of a corporation leasehold estate, the term whereof will expire in 1864.</p>	<p>- - Erected by William Bilby, on land leased to him for 500 years by the corporation, at a peppercorn rent, subject to the corporation being trustees and guardians of the charity.</p>	<p>- - For the widows of poor burgesses.</p>	<p>- - Occupied by the widows of poor burgesses, on the nomination of the mayor. The corporation pay to each poor person 6<i>d.</i> weekly for bread, 3<i>s.</i> on St. Thomas's day, and a ton-and-a-half of coals once a year. These exceed the income by nearly 5<i>l.</i>; and the corporation also expend considerably in repairs, and are 315<i>l.</i> 13<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i> in advance to this charity.</p>
<p><i>Tibson's Charity :</i></p> <p>20<i>s.</i> a year - - - - -</p>	<p>- - Entry in the corporation Year Book, 1697, as follows : <i>Mem.</i> This day Mr. Jacob Tibson paid into the chamberlain's hands the sum of 5<i>l.</i>, which, with the 15<i>l.</i> received last Hall Day of Mr. Daniel Tibson, make up 20<i>l.</i>, which sum was given to the Corporation.</p>	<p>- - For the use of 20 poor widows of St. Nicholas's parish, to be paid by 20<i>s.</i> yearly to the overseers of the poor of the said parish, and by them distributed for the use aforesaid.</p>	<p>- - Paid yearly by the corporation to the overseers of the poor of St. Nicholas's parish.</p>
<p><i>Robinson's Charity :</i></p> <p>£. 6 a year - - - - -</p>	<p>- - 100<i>l.</i> paid to the corporation in 1703 by William Robinson.</p>	<p>- - To the vicar of St. Mary's, in Nottingham, 3<i>l.</i>, to the rectors of St. Peter, and St. Nicholas, 1<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i> each, to be given in bread.</p>	<p>- - Paid yearly on St. Matthew's day, by the corporation, to the clergy of the three parishes, in 3<i>l.</i>, 1<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i>, and 1<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i></p>
<p>Other property than Charitable Funds.</p> <p><i>The Bridge Estate :</i></p> <p>Various messuages, lands and tenements in different parts of the town of Nottingham, let to tenants-at-will at a full rent, to aged burgesses or their widows, at small ground-rents (called Burgess Parts), and to leasees, on building leases, for long term of years; the total rental being 1,150<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> 6<i>d.</i></p>	<p>- - By grants from King Henry the 8th; Edward the 6th, and subsequent ancient grants from various persons.</p>	<p>- - Towards the repair and sustentation of the bridges over the River Trent, the repair of the road from the said bridges to the town of Nottingham, and contingent charges.</p>	<p>- - In the sustentation of the Nottingham Trent Bridge; a yearly payment of 100<i>l.</i> to the repair of the road (settled by 36 Geo. 3. c. 152); in repairs of the estate, and other incidental charges. The balance in the hands of the corporation at Michaelmas last was 1,163<i>l.</i> 4<i>s.</i></p>
<p><i>The Chamber Estate :</i></p> <p>Various messuages, lands and tenements in various parts of the town of Nottingham, let to tenants-at-will at full rents, and to leasees at full yearly rents, under building and other leases, fairs, markets, tolls, stallages, and chief rents; total yearly income about 5,000<i>l.</i></p>	<p>- - By various grants from King John, and subsequent monarchs down to William &amp; Mary; and by various grants from private individuals; and by voluntary purchases made by the corporation.</p>	<p>- - At the absolute disposal of the corporation.</p>	<p>- - In gradual discharge of mortgage debts on the estate, created in order to defray the costs of new building the Exchange Hall, and of other improvements of the estate, and the costs of various former suits at law; the present balance of which mortgage-debts is 18,030<i>l.</i>; also in payment of the interest of that debt, and in payment of annuities (now amounting to 655<i>l.</i> 11<i>s.</i>) granted out of the estates</p>

for monies taken up by the corporation, for the above purposes; also in payments to burgesses for burgess parts; in payment of Lady Grantham's Charity; the salaries of the corporate officers; in the expenses of collecting rents, tolls, &c.; in prosecuting suits for the market stallages which are under present litigation; in repairs of the estates (averaging 750*l.*); in new buildings; in town improvements (towards one whereof, namely, the widening of the west entrance into the town, 900*l.* has lately been given by the corporation; and upon another, namely, the levelling and new paving of the Great Market-place, the sum of 2,200*l.* and upwards was expended in the year 1825-26); and in such other corporate and public purposes as the corporation in common hall assembled from time to time direct.

26 February 1833.

H. Enfield, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Nottingham.*

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.
Alderman William Wilson - - -	Cotton-spinner.
Alderman Charles Lomas Morley - -	Gentleman.
Alderman John Houseman Barber - -	Grocer.
Alderman Isaac Woolley - - -	Hosiery and Lace Manufacturer.
Alderman William Soars - - -	Tobacconist.
Alderman Octavius Thomas Oldknow -	Draper.
Alderman Samuel Deverill - - -	Wine Merchant.
Alderman John Heard (now Mayor) -	Hosiery Manufacturer.

26 Feb. 1833.

*H. Enfield, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF OKEHAMPTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of this place is entitled to, or possessed of, certain lands and tenements, mostly leased by them for terms of 99 years, determinable with lives; in which leases small annual conventional rents are reserved to the corporation. They are also entitled to the tolls or dues payable at the markets and fairs held in the town, as well as several small chief rents payable out of lands situate in and near Okehampton. Their present annual income from these sources (independent of fines received for the renewal of leases from time to time, as lives drop off,) is about 260 *l.*

The following are the purposes for which this property was given (after payment of a rent-charge of 21 *l.* 10 *s.* payable thereout); viz. the maintenance and common weal of the town and borough of Okehampton; the setting to work and relief of the poor thereof; the celebration of Divine Service in the chapel of St. James; repairing said chapel, and the streets and bridges of the town, (one of such bridges has been recently rebuilt); the maintenance of a grammar school, and other good and necessary uses, at the discretion of the mayor and burgesses.

With regard to the manner in which this property has been acquired, I am unable to explain further than that some parts thereof are bequests of very ancient date, and that the whole has been so long in the possession of the corporation, that their title would be established by prescription.

The funds arising from the property in question are applied by the corporation to the following objects; viz. the payment of the interest of 600 *l.*, borrowed by them upon the credit of the market tolls, for the purpose of erecting a new market-place; the maintenance and repair of the streets and bridges of the town; the celebration of Divine Service in St. James's Chapel, and the repairs and lighting thereof; the payment of rates and taxes; the salaries of officers, viz. receiver, sergeants-at-mace, constables and scavenger; four gowns given annually to as many poor persons; the repairs and taking care of the town-clock, and other incidental expenses.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Okehampton.*

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS or TRADES.
John Colling - - - - -	Attorney-at-Law.
John Piece - - - - -	Gentleman.
Albany Savile - - - - -	Esquire.
Hannibal Curnow Millett - - - -	Gentleman.
George Lethbridge - - - - -	Surgeon.
John Wrey - - - - -	Clerk.
Henry Bouchier Wrey - - - - -	Clerk.
John Carpenter - - - - -	Timber Merchant.

21 February 1833.

*Solon Luxmoore, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF ORFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of Orford, in the county of Suffolk, have no charitable funds in their possession or order. The property in their possession is as follows; viz. a house, mill and small quantity of land, letting at the annual rent of 41 *l.* 10 *s.*; thirty acres of marsh, letting at 30 *l.* per annum; a small cottage, in which a poor widow is allowed to reside rent free; and the right of fishery, &c. in the River Ore. This property was granted to the corporation by the charter of James the First, under which they now act; and the income is applied towards payment of the salaries of corporate officers, building and keeping in repair the gaol of the town, maintenance of prisoners (if any), repairing and cleansing the drains and streets, expenses of sessions, &c.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Orford.*

Years.	NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	Years.	NAMES.	Professions and Trades.
1812	John Larpent - - -	Esquire.	1823	Horace B. S. Seymour -	Esquire.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		John Randall - - -	Esquire.
1813	John Randall - - -	Esquire.	1824	Rt. Hon. Lord Geo. Seymour.	
	Lord Henry Seymour.			John Randall - - -	Esquire.
1814	Thomas Bartlam - - -	Clerk.	1825	John Randall - - -	Esquire.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		Lord George Seymour.	
1815	John Carleton, D. D. -	Doc. Div.	1826	George Francis Seymour -	Esquire.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		John Randall - - -	Esquire.
1816	Rt. Hon. Lord Geo. Seymour.		1827	Thomas Bartlam - - -	Clerk.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		John Randall - - -	Esquire.
1817	Rt. Hon. Lord Hen. Seymour.		1828	John W. Croker - - -	Esquire.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		John Randall - - -	Esquire.
1818	John Bartlam - - -	Clerk.	1829	Rt. Hon. Lord Geo. Seymour.	
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		John Randall - - -	Esquire.
1819	George Francis Seymour.	Esquire.		William B. Clarke - - -	Esquire.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		Samuel Randall - - -	Esquire.
1820	John Randall - - -	Esquire.	1830	Samuel Randall - - -	Esquire.
	Lord Henry Seymour -			William B. Clarke - - -	Esquire.
1821	Thomas Bartlam - - -	Clerk.	1831	John Syred, the elder -	Gentleman.
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.		Samuel Randall - - -	Esquire.
1822	John Wilson Croker - -	Esquire.			
	John Randall - - -	Esquire.			

9 July 1833.

*Peter B. Long*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF OSWESTRY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

There are none.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Oswestry.*

1812	John Croxon - - -	Banker.
1813	Charles Arthur Albany Lloyd -	Clergyman.
1814	The Hon. Thomas Kenyon.	
1815	Thomas Morris - - -	Surgeon.
1816	Samuel Leach - - -	Coal Merchant.
1817	George Newton Kynaston Lloyd -	Clergyman.
1818	Thomas Netherton Parker - - -	Esquire.
1819	The Right Hon. Henry Watkin Williams Wynn.	
1820	Joseph Venables Lovett - - -	Esquire.
1821	John Bonnor - - -	Esquire.
1822	Henry Pinson Tozer Aubrey - -	Esquire.
1823	William Ormsby Gore - - -	Esquire.
1824	John Mytton - - -	Esquire.
1825	John Jones - - -	Banker.
1826	Turner Edwards - - -	Clergyman.
1827	Roger Mercer Cockerill - - -	Surgeon.
1828	Robert Morrall - - -	Solicitor.
1829	Peploe Cartwright - - -	Surgeon.
1830	Thomas Lovett - - -	Esquire.
1831	Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, baronet.	
1832	Thomas Longueville Longueville -	Solicitor.

The above is a true Return.

*R. Jones Croxon*, Town Clerk.

## CITY OF OXFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THESE are very fully set forth in the "Further Report of the Commissioners for Inquiring concerning Charities," beginning at p. 380. The Commissioners in the introductory part of their Report state, that—

"There are a great number of charities vested in and under the management of the city of Oxford, the accounts of which previous to 1802 were kept mixed and blended with the general account of the corporation.

"In the year 1802 the town-clerk was directed to make extracts from all the wills and deeds relating to the several charities, and a committee was appointed, consisting of the mayor, four aldermen, and eight assistants, with the town-clerk and other members of the council chamber, to compare and examine the extracts, and to report thereon to the House. In consequence of that resolution of the corporation, the documents were inspected and examined, and also the corporation books and accounts, and a report was made with such observations and recommendations as occurred to the committee.

"Great care and labour appear to have been bestowed in preparing and digesting the report, which enters very fully into the history and previous disposition of each charity; we have seldom been able to add much to the information which the report contains.

"The circumstances of each charity were stated separately, and the whole was entered verbatim in a book belonging to the city, called the 'City Vellum Book,' and this report forms the foundation of administering the charities. In pursuance of the recommendation of the committee, a sufficient quantity of stock is now specifically set apart to supply dividends for each particular charity, payable from legacies or donations of money; and a separate and distinct entry being made of the receipts and payments of each, the whole accounts are by those means kept with great clearness and simplicity."

The following is an Abstract of the Commissioners' Report, with the addition of other Charities bequeathed or given to the City of Oxford since it was drawn and published.

NAMES OF DONORS.	FUNDS.	Per Cent.	ANNUAL PRODUCE.	Application of the Sums according to the Directions of the Donors.
	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
Robert Nicholls - -	333 6 8	3	10 - -	-- 5 <i>l.</i> given annually to apprentice a poor boy; 4 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> given to two poor freemen; the remainder to pay expenses.
Alderman Nixon - -	1,000 - -	3	30 - -	To the support of Alderman Nixon's charity-school for 40 boys, the sons of freemen in Oxford; the payment of the master's salary, and the apprenticing of poor boys from that school. Special visitors are appointed for the management of this charity.
Ditto - - -	From Garsington estate.	-	15 - -	
Joan Nixon - - -	Land at Blethington.	-	35 - -	
Savings from the above fund	200 - -	3	6 - -	
Zach. Bogan - - -	833 6 8	3	25 - -	Given to apprentice five poor boys.
Ditto - - -	From Garsington estate.	-	10 - -	
J. Howell and Lynch -	1,008 14 3	3	30 5 -	To four poor beadsmen, called Trinity-men.
J. & E. Whistler - -	125 - -	3	3 15 -	To three persons of the kindred of the donors.
Dr. Wall - - -	666 13 4	3	20 - -	To 14 widows of Oxford, and 6 poor old men, 4 <i>l.</i> per annum each; 20 <i>l.</i> to apprentice four boys.
Ditto* - - -	2,326 9 10	4½	104 15 -	
Alderman John Harris -	600 - -	3	18 - -	-- To four poor freemen 4 <i>l.</i> per annum each; and 10 <i>s.</i> to purchase a gown.
Ditto - - -	266 13 4	3	8 - -	To two poor freemen 4 <i>l.</i> per annum each.
C. Seamen - - -	166 13 4	3	5 - -	To two poor widows 2 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> each.
R. Whorwood - - -	333 6 8	3	10 - -	-- To two female servants who have lived seven years in one service, 5 <i>l.</i> each.
Alderman Hawkins - -	328 10 -	3	9 17 -	-- To two poor men 4 <i>l.</i> each; the remainder to be given to three parishes.
John Toldervey - - -	200 - -	3	6 - -	To four poor widows 1 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> each.
Berkshire Charity - -	133 6 8	3	4 - -	-- To four poor persons, natives of Berkshire, residing in Oxford.
Chas. Harris - - -	200 - -	3	6 - -	-- Given in bread to the poor of Oxford; this added to the balance of Lenboro' Estate, which is given away twice in the winter, usually 500 half-peck loaves each time.
John Holman - - -	2,290 8 -	3	68 14 2	-- The interest is at present paid to Mrs. Deere, according to the donor's direction. After her death it is to be given to tradesmen of Oxford under certain provisions.

\* See p. 400.

NAMES OF DONORS.	FUNDS.	Per Cent.	ANNUAL PRODUCE.	Application of the Sums according to the Directions of the Donors.
	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
Thomas Walker - -	333 6 8	3	10 - -	To 12 poor freemen or widows 16s. 8d. each.
Alderman Yeats - -	1,000 - -	3	30 - -	To three poor freemen and freemen's widows, 5l. each.
Alderman Tawney - -	4,500 - -	3	135 - -	{ To three poor men and three poor women in Alderman Tawney's almshouse, 20l. per annum each; the residue to be applied to the reparation and improvement of the building, &c.
Ditto - - - -	600 - -	3	18 - -	
Ditto - - - -	700 - -	3	21 - -	- - To four poor tradesmen of St. Thomas's parish, each 5l. 5s. per annum.
Messrs. Burton & Abbott -	100 - -	3	3 - -	To the prisoners in the city gaol.
Alderman Parsons - -	9 Canal shares at 32l. per share.	-	288 - -	{ To four poor men and four poor widows in Alderman Parsons's almshouse, each 30l. per annum; the remainder, after repairing the premises, &c. to form an accumulating fund, according to the directions of the testator, subject to such further regulations as the present trustees may direct.
Ditto from surplus - -	1,100 - -	3	33 - -	
Sir William Taunton -	400 - -	3	12 - -	To six poor freemen's widows, 2l. per annum each.
Ditto - - - -	266 13 4	3	8 - -	To four poor men for great coats.
William Tubb - - -	200 - -	3	6 - -	To two widows, 3l. each.
William Haynes - -	1,266 13 4	3	38 - -	- - To four poor blind persons, 9l. 10s. per annum each, elected for life.
Voluntary subscriptions of individuals.	1,500 - -	3	45 - -	- - Applied to the use of the Blue-coat Boys school in Oxford.
Sarah Roberts - - -	105 - -	3½	3 13 6	To a poor man in St. Peter-le-Bailey parish.
Charles Hughes - - -	225 16 -	3½	7 18 -	To two poor widows of St. Peter-le-Bailey parish.
Catharine Mather - -	1,060 10 -	3½	37 2 4	To apprentice poor boys from the Blue-coat school.
Ditto - - - -	442 2 -	3½	14 9 4	To the prisoners in the city and county gaols.
Sir Edward Hinchings -	226 - -	3½	7 10 2	- - To six poor families, 14s. each; to four poor tailors, 17s. 6d. each.
Robert Wace - - -	105 - -	3½	3 13 6	To four poor widows.
Charles Collins - - -	694 - -	3½	26 16 4	- - As often as the accumulated interest amounts to 100l. to be lent to a poor freeman for 10 years without interest.
Alderman Fletcher - -	1,650 - -	3½	57 15 -	- - To three poor widows, each 5l. annually; 20l. given annually to a young tradesman of Oxford; and the residue paid to the vicar and churchwarden of Yarnton, Oxon, for charitable purposes.
William Thomas - - -	part of tenement in Cheap-side.	-	15 - -	To apprentice two poor boys.
Thomas Reeve - - -	Tenement in Oxford.	-	30 - -	To three poor freemen and three poor widows, 5l. each.
Hon. Robert Boyle - -	From his trustees.	-	12 8 -	- - To four poor men and four poor widows, 1l. 5s. each; the remainder is applied as directed by Mr. Ashhurst, the trustee.
Charles Harris - - -	Land at Lenborough.	-	107 10 -	- - 30l. paid annually to Baliol College for exhibitions for sons of Oxford freemen; to four poor beadsmen, each 4l. 10s. The remainder is given to the poor in bread.
Lord Lichfield, Hon. R. Lee and Mr. Wickham.	Canal shares	-	595 - -	Paid to the four city lecturers at Carfax church.
George Potter - - -	A tenement in Oxford.	-	30 - -	- - The rental as it accumulates is lent to poor freemen, each 30l., for seven years, without interest.

*Edmund Boulter*, formerly of Haseley Court, Oxon, by his will bearing date 21st March 1736, devised certain lands there situate, for founding an almshouse in the parish of St. Clement, near Oxford (which has been built many years), for six poor decayed neat men out of six parishes therein mentioned, and for other purposes, under the management and direction of the mayor and aldermen of Oxford. The estate so devised, which mainly consisted of lands dispersed in the common fields, was, pursuant to an order of the Court of Chancery made 26th January 1827, and an Act of 7 & 8 Geo. 4, exchanged beneficially for an enclosed farm, situate in the same parish; and by the same Act it is vested in the corporation of Oxford, in trust for the mayor and aldermen for the time being, subject to the charitable uses of the will of the testator. The corporation have no control over this fund, but it is very faithfully applied by the mayor and aldermen. Six poor men have comfortable separate apartments, and receive 8s. per week each.

*Francis Burton*, Esq., formerly recorder of this City, by a letter addressed to the mayor, dated 7th January 1829, transmitted an assignment of a bond of the Thames and Isis Navigation for 100l., the annual interest of which, being 5l., he directed to be applied towards the support of the Blue-coat Boys' school established in this city. This security is vested in the corporation, and is applied according to Mr. Burton's directions.

The same gentleman, by letter addressed to the town-clerk, dated 29th April 1829, transmitted an assignment of a share in the Regent's Canal, to be applied towards the support of the Blue-coat Girls' school established in this city. This share is also vested in the corporation, and the profits, which at present amount only to about 14s. annually, are also applied according to Mr. Burton's directions.



## Specific Sums left for Loans.

Sir Thomas White	-	-	350 <i>l.</i> from Bristol	- - Lent in sums of 25 <i>l.</i> each to 14 young men, for 10 years, without interest.
John Taylor	-	-	50 <i>l.</i> - ditto	- - Lent to two freemen, 25 <i>l.</i> each, for five years, without interest.
Jane Wickham	-	-	10 <i>l.</i> - ditto	Lent to a young freeman.
Edward Prince	-	-	500 <i>l.</i> - ditto	- - Lent to five members of the mercers' and grocers' company, Oxford, 100 <i>l.</i> each, for seven years, without interest.
Andrew Harvey	-	-	100 <i>l.</i> - ditto	- - Lent to four poor freemen, 25 <i>l.</i> each, for seven years, without interest.
William Adams	-	-	10 <i>l.</i> - ditto	Lent to a poor person for 10 years.

\* Dr. Wall's money was 3,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* three per cents., producing 100*l.* per annum. In the year 1829, 2,666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* stock was sold, producing 2,326*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.*, which sum was lent at 4½ per cent. interest to the trustees appointed by Act of Parliament for building Folly-bridge, Oxford. The annual receipts are increased by this transfer 24*l.* 15*s.*, which surplus is placed in the funds. It amounts at this time to 108*l.* 10*s.* three per cent. stock.

The property vested in the corporation of the city of Oxford applicable to its own uses, consists—

1. Of many houses, with their appurtenances, situate in various parts of the city, which are mostly granted in leases for 40 years, renewable every 14, for a fine amounting to one year's value, reserving a quit rent.

It is impossible at this day to say how this property was acquired. It has been possessed by the city for ages. The city ledgers show every lease granted of the several houses and premises from the time of Henry 8th.

2. A farm situate at Ensham, in the county of Oxford, consisting of a farm-house, homestead, and about acres of arable and pasture land, let at rack-rent to Thomas Blake.

This estate has been vested in the city for time immemorial. There are no title deeds to show how it was acquired. An addition to this estate was made in the year 1822, the corporation having purchased lands contiguous to it for 1,043*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.*

Under this head should be noticed another farm, situate at Garsington, in the county of Oxford, which, it is believed, was purchased by the corporation in the time of the Commonwealth, but there are no title deeds relating to it in the archives of the city.

The clear rental of these estates will be seen in the statement of the annual income of the city, detailed in the following page.

3. Port Meadow, consisting of 439 acres, commonable to 2,000 freemen, productive of no revenue to the city, but attended with an annual expense, for preserving the mounds, gates, &c., of about 10*l.* This is ascertained to have been the property of the city soon after the Conquest.

4. The town-hall, council-chamber, offices, &c. used for judicial and civil purposes. The title of the city to this property is of very ancient date, but how originally acquired is not known.

5. Money in the public funds, and other securities, the particulars of which will be found in the next page.

6. The tolls payable to the city for cattle, waggons and carts laden with certain goods, and for certain articles pitched in the market, called "pitching pence." These tolls were granted to the city about the time of the Conquest. The average annual income from this source will be found in the next page.

7. The tolls of a public bridge, called Folly-bridge, at the extremity of the city, at the south side, built under the authority of an Act of Parliament passed in the 55th year Geo. 3, intituled, "An Act for taking down and re-building the whole or part of a certain bridge across the River Isis, in or near the city of Oxford, called Folly-Bridge, otherwise Friar's-Bridge, and for widening the same bridge and improving the approaches thereto."

These tolls produce nothing at present to the city; and the receipts of the bridge are now mortgaged and charged as follows:—

1. To the Exchequer Bill Loan Commissioners, with a sum of 6,000*l.*, payable by instalments, of which six instalments, amounting together to 1,800*l.* have been paid, leaving 4,200*l.* now due, with interest thereon at four per cent.

2. To two persons as trustees for the corporation, with a sum of 3,950*l.* and interest at 4*l.* 10*s.* per cent. from the 12th August 1826, which was advanced from the charity funds of Dr. Wall and Alderman Fletcher, mentioned in the foregoing statement.

8. In the year 1772 a market was built, under the authority of an Act of Parliament passed in the 11th year of the reign of Geo. 3, which vested the same in the chancellor, masters and scholars of the University, and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of the city of Oxford, each body advancing an equal sum towards the purchase of houses and land in the centre of the city for the site of the market. The Act authorized the University and City to borrow monies to pay the expenses of erecting.

erecting the market by granting leases or annuities, and the rents and profits arising from the market are directed to be applied in paying such annuities and monies borrowed, with the interest thereof. The rents for many years were very inadequate to the payment of the money borrowed and the annuities granted. A debt of 2,400 l., with interest, now remains a charge on this property by way of mortgage, and the annuities amount to 72 l. per annum. Sums to a considerable amount have annually, for the last 20 years, been laid out in improvements and repairs of the market, and much more expense of this kind is likely to be incurred for some time to come. Up to the present moment no division of profits has been made between the University and City. Indeed, the Act of Parliament directs that all incumbrances shall be previously paid off. The Act vests the market and its revenues in the chancellor, masters and scholars of the University, and the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty, and their successors for ever, equally.

9. The city water-works, with a suitable building lately erected at the south end of the city, for supplying the town with water, for which such of the inhabitants as have pipes to convey it to their houses, &c. pay an annual rent. The water-works have been a source of considerable expense to the city. The old building to which they were attached was adjacent to old Folly-Bridge, and when it was taken down those works were destroyed. For a considerable time the supply of water to the town was suspended, and the revenue before derived therefrom ceased. The works are now in full operation, and iron pipes are laid down in several of the streets.

Particulars of Money in the Public Funds and other Securities, as mentioned in the 5th division, in the preceding page :—

	£.	s.	d.
Stock in the 3 per cents - - - - -	621	8	9
Ditto - - - ditto - - - - -	306	-	-
Ditto South Sea annuities - - - - -	1,000	-	-
On bond from the trustees of Botley turnpike - - - - -	200	-	-
Ditto - from the Commissioners of the Oxford Paving Act - - - - -	100	-	-
Ditto - from the guardians of the poor, Oxford - - - - -	300	-	-
Stock in the 3 per cents. reserved for building; the dividends thereon accumulat- ing from time to time - - - - -	1,472	4	11
Cash in the hands of the city treasurer - - - - -	1,010	-	-

The following is a Statement of the Annual Income of the City, on an average of the last 14 years :—

	£.	s.	d.
From renewals of city leasehold estates in the city of Oxford, and annual quit rents - - - - -	650	-	-
From dividends of stock in the funds, and other securities, as above - - - - -	84	16	3
From fines received from the admission of strangers to the freedom and privilege of the city, and from small fees paid by the sons and apprentices of freemen at their admission - - - - -	280	-	-
From interest received on cash advanced to the waterworks - - - - -	47	-	-
From the city tolls - - - - -	140	-	-
Fees from the city officers on their elections - - - - -	41	-	-
From the Garsington estate, after deducting annual expenses, and the charge on it for Nixon's and Began's charities - - - - -	80	14	-
From the Ensham estate, deducting expenses - - - - -	231	7	-
Rent of a house at Garsington - - - - -	8	-	-
Rent of premises in the Town-hall Yard - - - - -	20	-	-
£.	1,582	17	3

The following Statement shows the Expenditure and Application of the City Funds, on an average of the last 14 years. The accounts relating to these funds are audited by, and many of the payments are made by the direction of, the mayor, aldermen, assistants, bailiffs and council, consisting of upwards of 80 persons, or a committee appointed from among them. The same accounts are regularly entered in a book kept for that purpose, and laid before the council at large annually :—

	£.	s.	d.
To the payment of the salaries of the town-clerk and solicitor, and the expenses in- curred in asserting the chartered rights and privileges of the city, the fulfilment of municipal duties, and the administration of public justice - - - - -	200	-	-
Salaries to the high steward and recorder; gloves to the judges, &c. - - - - -	22	-	-
Salaries and allowances to the mace-bearer, city marshal, two mayor's sergeants and two bailiff's sergeants - - - - -	160	-	-
Salaries and allowances to city constables and police officers - - - - -	70	-	-
Salary to the city water-bailiff - - - - -	30	-	-
To the city surveyor, for surveys, inspections, and plans of estates - - - - -	37	-	-
Quit rents and sundry annual acknowledgments - - - - -	6	-	-
Pensions to decayed servants of the city - - - - -	50	-	-
Paid to the town-hall keeper for attendance at committee rooms, fire, candle, cleansing, &c. - - - - -	30	-	-
Salaries to the organist and clerk of the city church, the organ blower, and for tuning the organ - - - - -	42	-	-
	(continued)		

	£.	s.	d.
Allowance to court leets - - - - -	4	-	-
Expenses incurred for Port Meadow - - - - -	10	-	-
Paid to assessor at elections for members and for town-clerk - - - - -	10	-	-
Allowed towards the city public dinner, viz. the annual dinner, audit and view dinner - - - - -	99	-	-
To the payment of bills for the reparation and furnishing of the various edifices appropriated for the public purposes of the corporation, viz. the town-hall, council-chamber, mayor's court, audit room and town-clerk's office, and for stationery, the law library, printing, taxes, insurance, &c. - - - - -	250	-	-
Stipends to the eight almsmen of St. Bartholomew, and subscription to the infirmary and the two charity schools - - - - -	36	-	-
£.	1,056	-	-

The above are the usual annual payments, but the corporation have applied the residue of their annual receipts to purposes beneficial to the community. The following disbursements appear in the accounts of the last 14 years :—

	£.	s.	d.
Paid towards the erection of the city church, and fitting up the corporation seats and galleries therein - - - - -	1,500	-	-
Subscribed to the building of the Lunatic Asylum - - - - -	300	-	-
Gave towards the erection of Folly Bridge - - - - -	2,000	-	-
Gave to the distressed manufacturers of England - - - - -	100	-	-
To the rebuilding of St. Clement's church, Oxford - - - - -	100	-	-
To the repairs of St. Thomas's church - - - - -	50	-	-
To the repairs of St. Aldate's church - - - - -	25	-	-
To the Board of Health for precautionary measures and towards the expenses incurred for cholera patients - - - - -	300	-	-
Advanced towards the works for supplying the city with water - - - - -	1,773	-	-
Paid for purchase of an estate at Ensham in 1822 - - - - -	1,043	14	10
The council chamber, mayor's court, and other city offices, being very old and incommodious, the city has, during the last four years, set apart annually from their receipts the sum of 300 <i>l.</i> to purchase stock in the three per cents, to accumulate as a fund to be applied hereafter to the rebuilding of the same - - - - -	1,200	-	-
£.	8,391	14	10
In order to enable the corporation to give 2,000 <i>l.</i> to the Folly-bridge trustees, (which the Act of Parliament required them to do,) and to purchase the estate at Ensham, the city sold out funds to the amount of 2,500 <i>l.</i> , which, ten years ago, were vested in the Market and Canal Funds - - - - -	2,500	-	-
Sums disbursed from the Residue in the last 14 years - - - £.	5,891	14	10

Besides these, a considerable sum was expended in 1821 by the mayor and deputation from the city, in performance of their ancient right and duty of attending at the Coronation Feast as Royal Butler, and for fees paid to the Lord Chamberlain's officers.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Oxford.

THE following are the Names, Professions and Trades of the Members of the Corporation of Oxford, who, by virtue of their Election to Corporate Offices, have become Magistrates and acted as such during the last 20 years :—

Sir Joseph Lock -	Banker.	John Wise Thorp -	formerly Hosier, dec <sup>d</sup> .
William Tubb -	Banker.	Richard Cox -	Banker.
Richard Wootten -	Banker.	William Slatter -	Gentleman.
William Folker -	Upholder, deceased.	Thomas Ensworth -	Wine Merchant, now retired from business.
Thomas Robinson -	Banker.	Richard Ferd. Cox -	Banker.
Thomas Fox Bricknell	Tanner.	John Hickman -	Plumber and Glazier, deceased.
This gentleman has relinquished his corporate rights, and resides from Oxford.		Thomas Wyatt -	Builder.
James Adams -	Upholder, deceased.	Richard Sheen -	Grocer.
Herbert Parsons -	Banker.	James Banting -	Gentleman.
Sir Edward Hitchings	Gentleman.	William Thorp -	Gentleman.

It may be here proper to remark, that the mayor and bailiffs of the city of Oxford receive no pecuniary allowance from the city. They defray all the expenses incident to their respective offices, whether for the maintenance of state or hospitality, at their own proper charge.

16 April 1833.

Thomas Roberson,  
Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF PENRYN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no Charitable Funds in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of Penryn.

The Corporation of Penryn are and have been in possession from time immemorial in fee simple of certain lands in the borough of Penryn, on which several houses, cellars and other buildings have been erected. This property has been let to different persons on leases for 99 years, determinable on the deaths of three lives; some parts in consideration of a fine and a small annual conventional rent; other parts in consideration of building and improving, and a small annual conventional rent. The mayor for the time being receives the fines and conventional rents, and expends the same for the general benefit of the town; and accurate accounts are kept of all monies received and disbursed.

The Corporation of Penryn are also in possession of the manor of Penryn borough and town of Penryn, and all rights, privileges and perquisites belonging to the same as lessees for three lives, under the Bishop of Exeter, who is lord of the manor of Penryn borough and town of Penryn. The rents and profits arising therefrom are expended by the mayor for the time being for the general benefit of the town; and accounts of all monies received and disbursed are kept.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Penryn*.

The Right hon. Francis Lord de Dunstanville	}	Peer of the Realm.
and Basset - - - - -		
William Williams - - - - -		Merchant.
Robert Dillon - - - - -		Clerk.
Edward Hodge - - - - -		Clerk.
William Baker - - - - -		Clerk.
William Paul Williams - - - - -		Merchan.
William Baker, jun. - - - - -		Attorney at Law.
Robert Davy Michell - - - - -		Attorney at Law.
William Richards - - - - -		Attorney at Law.
John Stona - - - - -		Merchant.
Richard Williams - - - - -		Merchant.
William Pender Roberts - - - - -		Commander in the Royal Navy.
Richard Pellowe - - - - -		Captain in the Royal Navy.
Thomas Leonard Barber - - - - -		Gentleman.
John Williams - - - - -		Attorney at Law.
Edward Gichard - - - - -		Lieutenant in the Army.
William Angove - - - - -		Purser in the Royal Navy.
John Arthur - - - - -		Merchant.

18th February 1833.

*John Williams*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF PENZANCE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE only Charitable Fund or other property connected with the Corporation of Penzance is a sum of 300*l.*, given by the Will of a Mr. David Dennis (called Dennis's Legacy), for the purpose of distributing annually at Easter 15*l.* amongst persons in reduced circumstances not receiving parochial relief, which distribution is left to the discretion of the mayor for the time being, he keeping a list of the persons to whom he may have given the same.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Penzance*.

1813	-	-	Mayor	-	-	John Batten, Merchant and Banker.
			Justice	-	-	George John, Attorney at Law.
1814	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Richard Jewell Ferris, Collector of the Customs.
			Justice	-	-	John Batten.
1815	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Thomas Giddy, Surgeon.
			Justice	-	-	Richard Jewell Ferris.
1816	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Henry Boase, Banker.
			Justice	-	-	Thomas Giddy.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Penzance*—continued.

1817	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Henry Penneck, M. D.
			Justice	-	-	Henry Boase.
1818	-	-	Mayor	-	-	George John.
			Justice	-	-	Henry Penneck.
1819	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy, Surgeon.
			Justice	-	-	George John.
1820	-	-	Mayor	-	-	John Jones Pearce, Gentleman.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
1821	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
			Justice	-	-	John Jones Pearce.
1822	-	-	Mayor	-	-	John Jones Pearce.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
1823	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
			Justice	-	-	John Jones Pearce.
1824	-	-	Mayor	-	-	John Batten.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
1825	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
			Justice	-	-	John Batten.
1826	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Henry Penneck.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
1827	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
			Justice	-	-	Henry Penneck.
1828	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Joseph Nichols, Gentleman.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
1829	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
			Justice	-	-	Joseph Nichols.
1830	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Robert Richards, Gentleman.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
1831	-	-	Mayor	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.
			Justice	-	-	Robert Richards.
1832	-	-	Mayor	-	-	John Batten.
			Justice	-	-	Edward Collins Giddy.

The Recorder (a perpetual Magistrate) is the Right honourable the Earl of Falmouth.

19th February 1833.

*Geo. D. John*, Town Clerk.

## PETERBOROUGH.

THERE is not a Municipal Corporation in this city, and the Magistrates acting for the city and liberty are appointed by the Custos Rotulorum.

There is no Magistrate for the city distinct from the liberty.

14th February 1833.

*Tho. Atkinson.*

## PETERSFIELD.

THERE are not any Charitable Funds or other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Mayor of this borough, and there is no Municipal Corporation within the borough. The Mayor has not ever, as I believe, become or acted as a Magistrate, and certainly not within the last twenty years.

13th February 1833.

*W. Mitchell.*

## CORPORATION OF PLYMOUTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of Charitable Property.	The Manner in which the Charitable Property has been acquired.	The Purpose for which Charitable Property given.	The Mode in which Charitable Property now distributed and applied.												
<p><b>Burrough's Gift.</b></p> <p>A fee-farm rent of 18<i>l.</i> issuing out of the rectory and great tithes of the parish of Egg Buckland, and Chapelry of St. Budeaux, in the county of Devon, out of which the corporation have always allowed 3<i>l.</i> 12<i>s.</i> for land tax.</p> <p><b>Sir John Gayer's Gift.</b></p> <p>A freehold estate, called Torr, or Oaten Arrishes, in the tithing of Pennycross, in the county of Devon, now let to Mr. James Hill, at the rent of 45<i>l.</i> per annum, less 1<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i> for chapel rates.</p> <p><b>John White's Gift.</b></p> <p>A sum of 235<i>l.</i> sterling, originally 250<i>l.</i>, the deficiency supposed to have been lent out according to the donor's intention, but lost long since by a failure of the security.</p> <p><b>Bounde's Gift.</b></p> <p>An annuity of 40<i>s.</i> issuing out of a field, called Thistle Park, in the said borough.</p> <p><b>Hewer's Gift.</b></p> <p>A sum of 100<i>l.</i> sterling -</p> <p><b>Hill's Gift.</b></p> <p>A sum of 50<i>l.</i> sterling -</p>	<p>- - Although this fee-farm rent has been long regarded as the gift of John Burrough, no memorial of the donation has ever been found. The rent was purchased by the mayor and commonalty in 1557, from Mr. Thomas Fownes, for the sum of 288<i>l.</i>; and the purchase-deed, with an indorsement of its registry in the Court of Chaucery, is preserved in the corporation chest.</p> <p>- - No memorial of this donation in the possession of the mayor and commonalty.</p> <p>- - This sum appears to have been paid into the hands of the corporation by Mr. John White, in his life-time, anterior to 1584. There is no evidence of any trust or foundation deed, but the objects of the charity are collected in part from deeds in the custody of the corporation, made between them and the corporations of Lostwithiel and Liskeard, in Cornwall.</p> <p>- - An annuity of 20<i>s.</i> was charged on Thistle Park, by the will of Mr. John Bounde, dated 30 April 1642, which was increased to 40<i>s.</i> by Mr. Thomas Bounde, his son.</p> <p>- - In the Return to Parliament in 1786, this sum is stated to have been given to the corporation by the will of Robert Hewer, dated 30 May 1743; but no further evidence of the will can be found.</p> <p>- - Paid to the corporation by Mr. John Hill; and by indenture, bearing date the 19 February 1762, the corporation covenanted with the said John Hill to apply 52<i>s.</i> yearly for ever, in the manner mentioned in the next column.</p>	<p>- - No evidence of any donation can be found.</p> <p>- - No evidence of the donor's purpose is known to exist, but the proceeds have been for a great number of years past applied in the mode at present observed.</p> <p>- - The money was intended to be lent to young men of Plymouth, being merchants, or retailing merchandize, in portions of 50<i>l.</i> or 25<i>l.</i> a piece, on good security, for the space of five years, at 5<i>l.</i> per cent. By one deed in the possession of the corporation, 3<i>l.</i> is stated to be payable out of the interest to the corporation of Lostwithiel, and by another deed a like sum of 3<i>l.</i> to the corporation of Liskeard, for charitable purposes. There is nothing to show in what manner the residue was to be applied.</p> <p>- - The annuity is given for the use of the poor of the borough of Plymouth.</p> <p>- - The purpose for which this sum was given is not known, but the corporation have for a great number of years past applied the interest in the mode at present observed.</p> <p>- - To pay to the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of St. Andrew, in the said borough, the sum of 52<i>s.</i> yearly for ever, to be bestowed in a dole, and distributed weekly in good penny white or wheaten bread, to the value of 12<i>d.</i> every Lord's-day in the forenoon, at the parish church of St. Andrew.</p>	<p>- - Distributed annually by the corporation in wearing apparel, to the poor of the borough of Plymouth.</p> <p>- - In the payment of 8<i>l.</i> annually to the vicar of the parish of Charles, in the borough of Plymouth, for preaching sermons preparatory to the administration of the sacrament; 1<i>l.</i> 4<i>s.</i> to the clerk and sexton of the parish for their attendance; 4<i>l.</i> to the hospital of Orphans' Aid, in the borough, for the purposes of that charity; 5<i>s.</i> for a chief rent to the representatives of Humphry Hall, esq.; and the residue of the proceeds in providing wearing apparel for distribution to the poor of the borough.</p> <p>- - The principal sum of 235<i>l.</i> remains in the hands of the corporation, who apply the interest, amounting to - £. 11 15 -</p> <table><tr><td>To the corporation of Lostwithiel</td><td>£. s. d.</td></tr><tr><td>To the corporation of Liskeard</td><td>3 - -</td></tr><tr><td>To the corporation of Truro</td><td>3 - -</td></tr><tr><td>To the poor of St. Germain's</td><td>1 4 -</td></tr><tr><td>Residue in wearing apparel to the poor of Plymouth</td><td>1 1 -</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£. 11 15 -</td></tr></table> <p>- - Distributed annually by the corporation in wearing apparel to the poor of Plymouth.</p> <p>- - The principal remains in the hands of the corporation, who distribute 4<i>l.</i> annually, as the interest, in wearing apparel to the poor of the borough of Plymouth.</p> <p>- - The sum of 52<i>s.</i> paid annually by the corporation to the churchwardens of the said parish of St. Andrew, in the borough of Plymouth, to be by them distributed in bread to the poor of that parish.</p>	To the corporation of Lostwithiel	£. s. d.	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## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

Description of Charitable Property.	The Manner in which the Charitable Property has been acquired.	The Purpose for which Charitable Property given.	The Mode in which Charitable Property now distributed and applied.
<p><i>Ackerman's Gift.</i> The nature of this donation, in respect of which the corporation pay an annual sum of 50 s. is not known.</p>	<p>-- No memorial in the possession of the mayor and commonalty.</p>	<p>-- The purpose is not known with certainty, but the corporation for a great number of years past have applied 50 s. annually, as stated in the next column.</p>	<p>-- The sum of 50 s. paid annually by the corporation to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Andrew, Plymouth, to be by them distributed in bread to the poor of that parish.</p>
<p><i>Barron's Gift.</i> The nature of this donation, in respect of which the corporation pay annually 2 l. is not known.</p>	<p>-- No memorial in the possession of the mayor and commonalty.</p>	<p>-- The purpose only known from the continued payment of 2 l. for upwards of 170 years.</p>	<p>-- The sum of 2 l. paid annually to the vicar and churchwardens of the parish of Bickington, in the county of Devon, for distribution among the poor of that parish.</p>
<p><i>Joan Bennett's Gift.</i> A dwelling-house, cellars, lofts and premises in Southside-street, in the said borough of Plymouth, now occupied by Mr. Christopher Davies, sail-maker, at a yearly rent of 45 l.</p>	<p>-- By the will of Mrs. Bennett, dated 10 August 1650.</p>	<p>-- For the maintenance of two scholars, to be bred up in the study of divinity in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, or one of them; the one to be of the posterity of testatrix's husband's brother's sons, and the other of the posterity of one of testatrix's sisters.</p>	<p>-- A considerable sum arising from the rents of the trust property is now in the hands of the corporation, there having been no claimant for the benefit of the trust for several years past; but the corporation have recently received notice, that a gentleman, whose claim is admitted, is on the point of commencing his studies at one of the Universities, and he will then receive the benefit of the exhibition.</p>
<p><i>Rawlins' Gift.</i> A sum of 3 l. received annually from the governor, assistants, wardens and poor people of the charity of the hospital of Orphans' Aid, in the borough of Plymouth, for the inmates of the almshouses to buy butter for the fish days.</p>	<p>-- By the will of Robert Rawlins, bearing date 15th February 1626, a sum of 125 l. is given to the town of Plymouth, with directions to pay out of the interest, being 5 l., 3 l. to the almshouse of Plymouth, to buy butter for the fish days, and the remaining 2 l. to the poor of the tithing of Compton Gifford. As both these payments have been made ever since 1634 by the hospital of Orphans' Aid, the legacy of 125 l. was probably received by that charity, and not by the mayor and commonalty.</p>	<p>-- To provide butter for the inmates of the almshouse for the fish days.</p>	<p>-- Distributed annually, in sums of 5 s. to the twelve widows maintained in the corporation almshouse, to buy butter, salt, &amp;c.</p>
<p><i>Almshouse for Twelve Widows, commonly called The Old Church Twelves.</i> The origin of this establishment is unknown. The earliest almshouse account, dated 1720, contains entries of the receipt from the mayor and commonalty of the sum of 6 l. 13 s. 4 d. "for the accomplishment of certain indentures between John Ford and John Derry," and 8 l. "a gift of Mr. John How;" also, certain chief rents and conventional rents "allotted by the mayor and commonalty towards the maintenance of the poor in the almshouse." The corporation have since, in 1807, directed 60 l. to be applied annually, in place of these gifts, and the high rents and conventional rents, but this sum is seldom sufficient to meet the expenses of the charity. It would appear, that any payments by the corporation in respect of this establishment beyond the above sums of 6 l. 13 s. 4 d. and 8 l. and 3 l. received as Rawlins' gift, as above mentioned, are voluntary on their part.</p>	<p>-- No memorial in the possession of the corporation.</p>	<p>-- There is no evidence from which to infer, that the almshouse was ever appropriated otherwise than it now is, and has been for a number of years past.</p>	<p>-- The almshouse is inhabited by twelve poor widows of Plymouth and a nurse, appointed on the occurrence of vacancies by the warden for the time being (an annual officer chosen out of the corporation). Each of these females has a room, and there is a garden occupied in common; the corporation receiver pays them a weekly allowance of 1 l. 1 s. 9 d. and 3 l. yearly for butter, &amp;c. (from Rawlins' gift), and allows each of them 12 pounds of flour every month. The expense of cultivating the common garden and repairing the almshouse is borne by the corporation.</p>

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Description of Charitable Property.	The Manner in which the Charitable Property has been acquired.	The Purpose for which Charitable Property given.	The Mode in which Charitable Property now distributed and applied.
<i>Corporation Grammar School.</i> The advowson of the vicarage of Plymouth, together with a pension of 8 <i>l.</i> payable thereout to the Crown, and 112 <i>l.</i> arrears of the same pension, were granted to the mayor and commonalty to find a fit person to serve the cure of the said vicarage, and support a free grammar school within the said town, for which there should be annually paid to the headmaster the salary of 20 <i>l.</i>	- - By letters patent (20th February, 15th Queen Elizabeth), confirmed by letters patent of the 17th Charles II. and further by an Act of Parliament passed in the same year.	- - The purpose expressed in the letters patent of Queen Elizabeth is, "the education and instruction of boys and youths in the art of grammar."	- - The corporation pay the master of the grammar school an annual salary of 20 <i>l.</i> and provide a residence for him, for which they pay an annual rent of 25 <i>l.</i> There are two poor boys, sons of freemen, educated gratuitously, on the nomination of the corporation, and books, &c. are provided for them at the expense of the mayor and commonalty.
<i>Collins's Gift.</i> A sum of 50 <i>l.</i> sterling - -	- - Nothing certain is known respecting the mode in which this property was acquired.	- - The purpose not known with certainty, but the corporation have for a great number of years paid 2 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> annually on account of this donation.	- - The sum of 2 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> paid annually by the corporation to the churchwardens of the parish of Charles, in the borough of Plymouth, for distribution in bread amongst the most indigent poor of that parish.

Plymouth, 23 February 1833.

Charles C. Whiteford, Deputy Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Plymouth.*

THE corporate officers who become *ex officio* magistrates are the mayor, the mayor's immediate predecessor in office, who is commonly styled The Justice, the recorder, and the two senior aldermen for the time being.

## Mayors:

1813 - - -	Henry Woolcombe, Esquire	- - -	Solicitor.
1814 - - -	Sir Diggory Forrest, Knight	- - -	No profession.
1815 - - -	William Lockyer, Esquire	- - -	Merchant.
1816 - - -	Samuel Pym, Esquire	- - -	Captain R. N.
1817 - - -	Thomas Miller, Esquire	- - -	Agent Victualler at the Port.
1818 - - -	Richard Arthur, Esquire	- - -	Captain R. N.
1819 - - -	George Eastlake, jun. Esquire	- - -	Solicitor.
1820 - - -	Richard Jago Squire, Esquire	- - -	Solicitor.
1821 - - -	Edmund Lockyer, Esquire	- - -	No profession.
1822 - - -	William Adams Welsford, Esquire	- - -	Distributor of Stamps.
1823 - - -	Nicholas Lockyer, Esquire, c. B.	- - -	Captain R. N.
1824 - - -	Edmund Lockyer, Esquire	- - -	No profession.
1825 - - -	William Henry Hawker, Esquire	- - -	Merchant.
1826 - - -	Richard Arthur, Esquire	- - -	Captain R. N.
1827 - - -	Richard Pridham, Esquire	- - -	Captain R. N.
1828 - - -	Richard Freeman, Esquire	- - -	Surgeon.
1829 - - -	William Furlong Wise, Esquire	- - -	Captain R. N.
1830 - - -	Nicholas Lockyer, Esquire, c. B.	- - -	Captain R. N.
1831 - - -	Aaron Tozer, Esquire	- - -	Captain R. N.
1832 - - -	George Coryndon, Esquire	- - -	Solicitor.

## Justices:

1813 to 1833 - - Each of the above-named gentlemen continued a magistrate, and acted as such for the year succeeding his mayoralty.

## Recorder:

1813 to 1833 - - Sir William Elford, Baronet - - - Banker.

## Senior Aldermen:

1813 to 1833--	Robert Fanshawe	- - -	Captain R. N.
	Henry Tolcher	- - -	Collector of the Customs.
	Peter Tonkin	- - -	Solicitor.
	Stephen Hammick	- - -	No profession.
	Bartholomew Dunsterville	- - -	No profession.
	John Hawker	- - -	Merchant.

Plymouth, 23 February 1833.

Charles C. Whiteford, Deputy Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF PLYMPTON EARLE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

DESCRIPTION of PROPERTY.	How acquired.	For what Purpose given.	How applied.
A Guildhall and prison - -	Not known -	Supposed for use of corporation -	Used by corporation.
Tolls of markets, fairs, certain chief rents of the annual value of 13 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> - -	- Not exactly known, supposed by charter of Baldwin Redvers Earl of Devon, temp. Henry II. - -	Supposed for benefit of the corporation -	- - Applied in repairs of Guildhall, and payment of salaries of corporate officers.
A house and garden - -	Not known -	Supposed for benefit of corporation -	- - ditto.
A small field, about an acre -	- By conveyance, 9th June 1492 -	- - For the use of the mayor, and for the use of the surveyors of highways -	- - ditto, as to stones which are taken by surveyors.
A few articles of furniture of the Guildhall - - -	Supposed by gifts -	- - - - -	Used by corporation.
An almshouse - - -	By conveyance, April 1736 -	- - For the use of such poor inhabitants as the corporation think proper -	Used by the poor.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Plympton Earle.*

NAMES of MAGISTRATES.	Municipal Office.	Professions and Trades.	Years in which they acted.
The Earl of Mount Edgcumbe - -	Recorder - -	Peer - -	Every year for the last 20 years.
Treby Hele Hays - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	
John Boger - - -	Justice - -	Attorney at Law -	1813
Rev. John Arscott - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Clergyman - -	1813
Rev. John Arscott - - -	Mayor - -	ditto - -	1814
Treby Hele Hays - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1814
John Boger - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1814
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1815
Rev. John Arscott - - -	Justice - -	Clergyman - -	1815
John Boger - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1815
Thomas Edwards - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1816
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1816
John Boger - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1816
John Boger - - -	Mayor - -	ditto - -	1817
Thomas Edwards - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1817
Paul Ourry Treby - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1818
John Boger - - -	Justice - -	Attorney at Law -	1818
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1819
Paul Ourry Treby - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1819
Jonathan Elford - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1820
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1820
Rev. John Arscott - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Clergyman - -	1820
John Boger - - -	Mayor - -	Attorney at Law -	1821
Jonathan Elford - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1821
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire - -	1821
Paul Ourry Treby - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1822
John Boger - - -	Justice - -	Attorney at Law -	1822
Deeble Boger - - -	Mayor - -	ditto - -	1823
Paul Ourry Treby - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1823
The Honourable Ernest Augustus Edgcumbe, Viscount Valletort - -	Mayor - -	- - - -	1824
Deeble Boger - - -	Justice - -	Attorney at Law -	1824
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire - -	1824
Jonathan Elford - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1825
The Viscount Valletort - - -	Justice - -	- - - -	1825
Paul Treby Treby - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire - -	1825
Treby Hele Hays - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1826
Jonathan Elford - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1826
Deeble Boger - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1827
The Rev. John Arscott - - -	Mayor - -	Clergyman - -	1827
Treby Hele Hays - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1827
John Boger - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1828
The Rev. John Arscott - - -	Justice - -	Clergyman - -	1828
Deeble Boger - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1828
Paul Ourry Treby - - -	Mayor - -	Esquire - -	1829
John Boger - - -	Justice - -	Esquire - -	1829

Deeble

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

NAMES of MAGISTRATES.	Municipal Office.	Professions and Trades.	Years in which they acted.
Deeble Boger - - - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1829
Samuel Peter Forster - - - -	Mayor - - - -	Rear Admiral -	1830
Paul Ourry Treby - - - - -	Justice - - - -	Esquire - - - -	1830
Deeble Boger - - - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Attorney at Law -	1830
Deeble Boger - - - - -	Mayor - - - -	ditto - - - -	1831
Samuel Peter Forster - - - -	Justice - - - -	Rear Admiral -	1831
John Boger - - - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire - - - -	1831
Henry Hele Treby - - - - -	Mayor - - - -	Esquire - - - -	1832
Deeble Boger - - - - -	Justice - - - -	Attorney at Law -	1832
John Boger - - - - -	Deputy Recorder -	Esquire - - - -	1832
2d July 1833.		J. Hext Boger, Town Clerk.	

## CORPORATION OF PONTEFRACT.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Charitable Funds and other Property.	How acquired.	The Purposes for which given.	How applied.
About six acres of land in Purston Row, in Pontefract - - - }	By purchase -	{ For the use of the poor of Pontefract	- - Rent 14 <i>l.</i> per annum, and distributed by the mayor and three senior aldermen at discretion.
Fifty pounds - - - - - }	Bequest of Mrs. Ann Hirst -	{ - - To be lent in two sums of 25 <i>l.</i> each, by the mayor, recorder and vicar, to such two inhabitants as they should think fit, for 7 years, without interest, and the repayment to be secured by bond and sureties - -	Applied accordingly.
One hundred pounds - - - }	- - A donation of Richard Thompson, esquire - -	{ - - To be lent out by the mayor, recorder and vicar for the time being, in two sums of 50 <i>l.</i> each, to two poor artisans of the borough for seven years, without interest - -	Applied accordingly.

The above are the only charitable funds or property over which any part of the Corporation have any control. There are in and near to the town several hospitals for the reception of poor people, of all which hospitals, the mayor, recorder and aldermen, or some of them, are trustees for the purpose of electing to vacancies, &c.; but they have no power over the funds thereof.

£. 45. arising out of about 14 acres of land in the town's fields -	By purchase -	For the use of the Corporation.	- - The reserved rent of 39 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , formerly belonging to the Crown, but now to Charles H. Ware, esq. of Lincoln's-inn.
£. 9. 10. the rent of three acres of land in Purston Row -	By purchase -		
£. 1. 4. the rent of a house in the Shoe-market - - - - -	By purchase -		
£. 36. the rent of a corn windmill, in the township of Tan-shelf - - - - -	By purchase -		
£. 10. - - - - -	- - Paid by the trustees of the Pontefract dispensary for the use of the Rotation Office - -		
£. 60. arising from certain bur-gage fee-farm rents, stallage and toll, payable upon the sale of cattle, and by hawkers and pedlars selling goods within the borough - - - - -	By charter - -		The annuity of 40 <i>l.</i> to Mrs. Banks.
£. 5. 5. from the farmer of the toll of wool sold in the market -			The salary of 25 <i>l.</i> to the mayor.
£. 0. 6. 8. ditto of fruits and vegetables - - - - -			The remainder in the payment of small salaries to the officers belonging to the Corporation, and of other incidental expenses.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Pontefract.*

Christopher Mann Torre	-	-	-	-	Esquire
Joseph Marshall	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
John Seaton	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
Robert Smith	-	-	-	-	Surgeon and Apothecary.
Edward Trueman	-	-	-	-	Banker.
William Tomlinson	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Thomas Oxley	-	-	-	-	Physician.
Michael Mitton	-	-	-	-	Attorney at Law.
John Perfect (present Mayor)	-	-	-	-	Banker.
Josiah Smithson	-	-	-	-	Attorney at Law.
James Muscroft	-	-	-	-	Surgeon and Apothecary.
Thomas Dunhill	-	-	-	-	Farmer.
Thomas Walton	-	-	-	-	Ironmonger.
James Coleman	-	-	-	-	Attorney at Law.

The first five gentlemen are now dead. The following are also Aldermen and Justices of the Peace for the borough, but have not acted as such the last 20 years, not being resident within the limits of the borough:

The Earl of Mexborough.

Robert Pemberton Milnes, Esquire.

The Honourable Edward Robert Petre.

George Alderson, Surgeon and Apothecary.

## CORPORATION OF POOLE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of Charitable Funds and other Property.	Purposes for which given, and Mode in which now distributed or applied.
Almshouses for 12 poor persons, situate in Church-street, in the town and county of Poole.	- - These almshouses are supposed to have been formerly part of the possessions of the fraternity of Saint George, in Poole; and to have been purchased by the Corporation, together with other lands of the said fraternity. They are supported by the Corporation out of their general funds; and on vacancies occurring, the occupiers are nominated by the mayor for the time being.
Almshouses for six poor couple, situate in West-street, in Poole aforesaid.	- - These almshouses were built in 1602, with money left for the purpose, by the Will of Robert Rogers, of London, citizen and leather-seller, and are endowed with an annuity of 18 <i>l.</i> purchased by the Corporation under the said will, which is disposed of, agreeably to the directions of the testator, as follows; viz. 12 <i>d.</i> a week to each couple inhabiting the almshouses, and the surplus is given to them in coals at Christmas annually. The almshouses are kept in repair by the Corporation out of their general funds.
Almshouses for 12 poor persons, at Hungerhill, in Poole aforesaid.	- - These almshouses were conveyed to the Corporation by George Garland, esquire, an alderman and burgess, by deed of bargain and sale enrolled, dated 12th May 1814, upon the trusts therein mentioned; and the two tenements adjoining, and the sum of 200 <i>l.</i> invested in the New Three-and-a-half per Cent. stock, were given by him as an endowment; the produce whereof is disposed of according to the trusts declared by the donor, as follows; viz. one-third of the rent of the two tenements in keeping the said tenements and the almshouses in repair; two-thirds divided equally amongst the occupiers of the almshouses every month.
Two tenements adjoining, and 227 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> New Three-and-a-half per Cent. stock.	The dividends of the stock are also applied to keeping the premises in repair, and the surplus is divided amongst the occupiers annually on Christmas eve. - - Donor unknown. Kept in repair by the Corporation out of their general funds.
Building used as a free school in Thames-street, in Poole aforesaid.	- - Henry Harbin, of London, merchant, by his Will, dated 19th July 1703, gave to the mayor and aldermen of Poole 200 <i>l.</i> to be laid out in the purchase of lands of the yearly value of 10 <i>l.</i> The rents thereof to be paid to a schoolmaster for teaching poor children of Poole aforesaid to read the English tongue. And John Bennett, by his Will (date unknown) gave 300 <i>l.</i> to be laid out in the discretion of the Corporation for the benefit of the poor people of Poole, the produce to be divided amongst them at Christmas annually.
Two closes of freehold land, situate at East Lynch, in the Isle of Purbeck, in the county of Dorset; present yearly rent 52 <i>l.</i>	The Corporation invested these two sums in the purchase of Lynch Meads, and divide the rent as follows: Two-fifths to the master of the free school. Three-fifths to the poor annually at Christmas.
£. 150. Three per Cent. stock	- - Left by Christopher Jolliff, of Poole, merchant, by his Will, dated 6th March 1809, the produce to be applied in the purchase of coals for the occupiers of the almshouses in Church-street and in West-street, in Poole aforesaid, at Christmas annually, and so disposed of by the Corporation.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Poole*.

The Right hon. Michael Angelo Taylor -	Recorder, Barrister at Law, &c. &c.	John Strong -	- Brewer.
Thomas Bartlett -	Esquire, Dep <sup>y</sup> Recorder, Attorney at Law.	Joseph White Orchard -	- Gentleman.
Samuel Clark -	- Merchant.	George Welch Ledgard -	- Banker.
Peter Jolliff -	- Merchant.	Thomas Gaden -	- Coal Merchant.
George Garland -	- Merchant.	John Bingley Garland -	- Merchant.
Christopher Jolliff -	- Merchant.	David Osmond Lander -	- Collector of Customs.
James Seager -	- Gentleman.	Joseph Garland -	- Gentleman.
Samuel Weston -	- Gentleman.	William Jolliff -	- Gentleman.
Benjamin Lester Lester -	Esquire, M. P.	Joseph Gulston Garland -	- Esquire, Captain R. N.
Joseph Garland, jun. -	Gentleman.	John Gosse -	- Merchant.
		Robert Slade -	- Merchant.
		Mark Seager -	- Merchant.

John Foot, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF PORTSMOUTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Thomas Winter*, by his Will, dated 28th July 1679, gave to the mayor and aldermen of Portsmouth 200*l.* the principal to be improved by them for the benefit of the poor yearly for ever, and the benefit which it should make to be distributed amongst the poor of that town on the feast of Saint Thomas the Apostle.

*Thomas Mills* gave the lease of a house to the poor of Portsmouth, with power to sell, and it was sold for 100*l.* which is in the hands of the mayor and aldermen.

The interest of both of the above gifts is distributed by the chamberlain of the borough of Portsmouth and the churchwardens of the parish of Portsmouth, annually on St. Thomas's-day, to the poorest class of the inhabitants of the borough; and the sums usually given vary from 1*s.* to 3*s.*

In the 16th Report of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, as relates to the county of Southampton (p. 311), is a full account of the above gifts.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Portsmouth*.

James Burrough -	Barrister at Law, afterwards appointed one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas.	Sir Samuel Spicer -	Brewer.
John Godwin -	Banker.	George Maule -	Barrister at Law.
William Goldson -	Banker.	George Atherley -	Banker.
Joseph Smith -	Merchant.	*Daniel Howard -	Solicitor.
*Edward Carter -	Brewer.	William Selwyn -	Barrister at Law, afterwards appointed King's Counsel.
*James Carter -	Surveyor of Customs.	*David Spicer -	Brewer.
Sir Henry White -	Wine Merchant.	*William Cooper -	Surgeon.
		*John Lucius Dampier -	Barrister at Law.
		John Sutton Shugar -	Solicitor.

\* The asterisk prefixed to the name denotes the present acting Justices.

F. Howard, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF PRESTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1. ONE moiety of an estate at Brockholes, near Preston, acquired by conveyance from the executors of Henry Bannister, in pursuance of the trusts of his Will, dated 16th July 1625, given for the support of a preaching minister in Preston.

2. The other moiety of the same estate, purchased by a legacy of 200*l.* bequeathed by the said Henry Bannister to the Town and Corporation of Preston, towards the putting forth of poor men's children of that town to be apprentices.

The whole estate was leased in 1658 for 1,000 years, at the yearly rent of 16*l.*, and by a conveyance in 1673, it was directed that 6*l.* a year should be paid to the poor apprentices, and the remainder to the preaching minister.

The rents have been hitherto distributed according to such direction.

The future application of them is under consideration.

3. Fifty pounds bequeathed by Thomas Winckly, 5 May 1710, for binding forth poor apprentices.

4. Fifty pounds bequeathed by Thomas Hodgkinson, 19th December 1697, for the maintenance of the poor.

The interest of these two sums is applied, along with the rents of the moiety No. 2, but there is an accumulation of such interest, amounting to 34*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*

5. A field in Preston, let upon ground rents, amounting to 46*l.* 3*s.*, bequeathed by Bartholomew Worthington, 18th December 1663, for the remainder of a term of 99 years, towards the support of a school, and the reversion purchased by the Corporation in the 28th year of King Charles the Second. The rents are paid to the schoolmaster.

£. 180. paid by the Lancaster Canal Company under an Act of Parliament, for the purchase of part of the above-mentioned field. This is in the hands of the Corporation, and the interest is received by the schoolmaster.

The above are all the charitable funds in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation, and an account of them will be found in the Report of the Commissioners of Charities, page 321 *et seq.* The same Report contains an account of certain other small charities, of which some members of the Corporation (but not the Corporation at large) have the disposal. The mayor and aldermen (but not the Corporation) are also trustees of a library, and of a sum of 1,200 *l.* bequeathed by Richard Shepherd, esquire, 18th June 1759, for the support of it.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Preston.*

List of the Corporate Officers who have become Justices of the Peace, and acted as such during Twenty Years preceding the 8th day of February 1833.

*N. B.*—Such persons were, at the beginning of the above period, the mayor, his last predecessor, the senior alderman, and the recorder. By charter, 7th August, 9 Geo. 4, all the other aldermen are made Justices of the Peace. There are seven aldermen besides the mayor:

N A M E.	Trade or Profession.	By virtue of what Office.	When began to act.	When ceased.
James Allan Park -	King's Counsel	Recorder -	Elected 30 April 1792.	Resigned 23 Mar. 1832.
John Grimshaw -	Attorney -	Senior Alder- man.	Succeeded 28 Sept. 1795.	Resigned 14 Sept. 1820.
Edward Robert Travers	Out of business	Late Mayor -	12 October 1811	12 October 1813.
Nicholas Grimshaw -	Attorney -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1812	12 October 1814.
Richard Newsham -	Banker -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1813	12 October 1815.
Daniel Lyon -	Furrier -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1814	12 October 1816.
Edward Robert Travers	Out of business	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1815	12 October 1817.
John Troughton -	Attorney -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1816	12 October 1818.
Nicholas Grimshaw -	Attorney -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1817	12 October 1819.
Richard Newsham -	Banker -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1818	12 October 1820.
Hugh Dewhurst -	Attorney -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1819	12 October 1821.
Edward Robert Travers	Out of business	Senior Alder- man.	Succeeded 14 Sept. 1820.	Still acting.
Thomas Miller -	Cotton Spinner	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1820	12 October 1822.
Nicholas Grimshaw -	Attorney -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1821	12 October 1823.
Daniel Lyon -	Furrier -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1822	12 October 1824.
John Troughton -	Attorney	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1823	12 October 1825.
Richard Newsham -	Banker -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1824	12 October 1826.
Nicholas Grimshaw -	Attorney -	Mayor and late Mayor.	12 October 1825	12 October 1827.
Thomas Miller -	Cotton Spinner	Mayor, late Mayor and Alder- man.	12 October 1826	Still acting.
Hugh Dewhurst -	Attorney -	Mayor and Alder- man.	12 October 1827	Died 17 Nov. 1830.
Nicholas Grimshaw -	Attorney -	Alderman -	By charter 7 Aug. 1828.	Still acting.
Samuel Horrocks -	Cotton Spinner	Alderman -	By charter 7 Aug. 1828.	Resigned 25 Sept. 1832.
Daniel Lyon -	Furrier -	Alderman -	By charter 7 Aug. 1828.	Resigned 27 Aug. 1829.
Richard Newsham -	Out of business	Alderman -	By charter 7 Aug. 1828.	Still acting.
John Troughton -	Attorney -	Alderman -	By charter 7 Aug. 1828.	Still acting.
James Mounsey -	Out of business	Alderman -	Elected 27 Aug. 1829.	Still acting.
James Dixon -	Attorney -	Alderman -	Elected 17 Dec. 1830.	Still acting.
Thomas Batty Addison	Barrister -	Recorder -	Elected 26 March 1832.	Still acting.
John Addison -	Barrister -	Alderman -	Elected 25 Sept. 1832.	Still acting.

*Richd Palmer*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF QUEENBOROUGH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1690.—*Joseph Shield*, esquire, one of the jurats of this Corporation, by Will of this date, bequeathed to the poor of the parish of Queenborough, in the said borough, the sum of 50*l.*, which said sum is in the hands of the Corporation, and the interest at five per cent. is distributed by them, yearly, to the most needy poor of the parish of Queenborough.

Date unknown.—Two gentlemen, names unknown, who got ashore at this place after shipwreck, gave 40*l.* to the Corporation, the interest to be applied for an annual sermon, and for behoof of the poor, which sum is now in the hands of the Corporation, who pay interest thereon at five per cent., and is disposed of by them as follows:—One guinea to the minister of the parish for a thanksgiving sermon, and the remaining sum of 19*s.* is yearly distributed between the most needy poor widows of the parish of Queenborough, in the said borough.

11th & 12th December 1704.—By Deeds of these dates, *Martha Jones*, widow, in consideration of 5*l.* to be paid her for life, by the mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses of the said borough of Queenborough, by quarterly payments, said *Martha Jones* did grant and release unto said mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses, and their successors, all that messuage or tenement, then divided into two dwellings, with the out-houses, edifices, buildings, closes, yards, gardens and backsides thereunto belonging, with their appurtenances, situate, lying and being in Queenborough aforesaid, and then or late in the tenure or occupation of John Cruckenden and Roger Dixon; and all that common of pasture for four-and-twenty sheep, commonly called “a sheep’s leeze,” yearly, to be had and taken in and upon the common of Queenborough aforesaid, commonly called Queenborough Green; and also all that free-fishing and fish-market commonly called a Cockroom, alias a Cockright, with the appurtenances in the waters and fishing places belonging to Queenborough aforesaid, to the said messuage or tenement also belonging or therewith enjoyed; to hold unto the said mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses, and their successors, for ever, in trust, to pay the said sum of 5*l.* to said *Martha Jones* quarterly, for her life; and upon further trust, that said mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses, and their successors, should have and receive to their own use and benefit the rents, issues and profits thereof, until they should be fully satisfied and reimbursed, all and every sum and sums of money as they should have at any time before paid to the said *Martha Jones*, to make up said sum of 5*l.* per annum, payable to her for her life, and after her death, and after said mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses, and their successors, should be satisfied and reimbursed the money so paid to said *Martha Jones* as last above mentioned, then, in trust, that said mayor, jurats and bailiffs only should apply and pay the clear rents, issues and profits of all said premises at such time and times in every year, in such proportions, and in such manner and form, as the said mayor, jurats and bailiffs should order, direct and appoint, to such minister of the church of England as should reside and dwell in Queenborough aforesaid, and should preach or cause to be preached two sermons on every Sunday in the year, in the parish church of Queenborough aforesaid; and in case there should be no such minister, then, in trust, that the clear rents and profits of said premises should be disposed of, paid and applied by the said mayor, jurats and bailiffs only to and for the general good, public ease, profit and advantage of the Corporation of Queenborough aforesaid, in such manner and form as they, said mayor, jurats and bailiffs for the time being should from time to time order, direct and appoint.

This house and leeze of land are in the possession of the Corporation. The net profits do not exceed 15*l.* per annum; and in lieu of these profits the Corporation make an annual rate, amounting to double the amount, for the benefit of the clergyman.

*Richard Webb*, by Will gave unto the mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses of the borough of Queenborough, the capital sum of 1,000*l.* Three per Cent. Consols, in trust, to pay themselves 5*l.* yearly out of the dividends, to reimburse them their costs and trouble, and to pay one guinea to the minister to preach a sermon to testator’s memory, yearly, to support testator’s tomb-stone, and to pay 5*s.* each to ten poor widows, giving preference to any relations of testator, and to give a flushing jacket, yearly, of the value of 1*l.* 15*s.* each to two poor apprentices belonging to the town of Queenborough, and to give 6*d.* to each of the poor children in Minster workhouse, yearly, on Palm Monday, and to pay 40*s.* yearly to the schoolmaster at the town school at Queenborough, yearly, by way of encouragement in his office, and to give a silver pen to the boy in the said town school for the best specimen of penmanship, of the value of a dozen or 15*s.*, yearly, and in case there should be any surplus of said dividends, to lay out same in the purchase of stuff gowns of the value of 25*s.* each, to be presented to poor widows of Queenborough, which said sum of 1,000*l.* is now standing in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the names of John Marshall, Stephen Grestock, Henry Walsall and James Bowton, being members of the Corporation, the Bank of England having refused to allow a transfer to be made in the name of the mayor, jurats, bailiffs and burgesses in their aggregate or corporate capacity; and the dividends are disposed of by the Corporation pursuant to the directions of the testator.

25th February 1815.—*George Evans Baker*, esquire, by Will of this date, gave the sum of 50*l.* unto the mayor, recorder, jurats and bailiffs of the borough of Queenborough, in trust, that the interest thereof be laid out in beef and bread, and distributed yearly, on St. Thomas’s day, under the direction of the mayor, recorder, jurats and bailiffs; which said sum is in the hands of the Corporation, and the interest, at the rate of five per cent. is applied by them, yearly, pursuant to the directions of the testator.

The preceding funds are the only charitable funds in the order and disposition of the Corporation of Queenborough, and the only remaining charity in the borough is the following gift of William Stamp.

15th July 1817.—*William Stamp*, esquire, formerly mayor of this borough, by Will of this date, gave 400*l.* Five per Cent. Bank Annuities, unto Thomas Benjamin Chambers and William Marshall the elder, gentlemen of the said borough, in trust, to lay out the dividends thereof in bread, meat and other necessaries, in such proportions as they should think proper, amongst the widows residing in Queenborough, of the free burgesses of this borough, on old Christmas-day, yearly, for ever.

Other PROPERTY not charitable, in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of *Queenborough*.

FREEHOLDS.

No. 1.—The oyster and other fishery in the rivers, waters, creeks and arms of the sea, beginning at Swales Spitt and ending at King's Ferry.

No. 2.—The ground and soil of the common or green called Queenborough Green or Common, reputed to contain, with several reclaimed parcels of land, 240 acres, or thereabouts, and the right of stocking the surplus pasturage, subject to the rights of leezeholders; viz. 31  $\frac{1}{2}$  leezes, or pasturage for 24 sheep each leeze, or a proportionate number of cows or oxen, or horses.

No. 3.—Three leezes and one-third of a leeze, or common of pasture for 24 sheep each leeze, being part of the above named leezes on the common or green called Queenborough Green. One leeze was granted by Martha Jones, as before stated. Another leeze was purchased of Thomas Young Greet, esquire. Two out of the three and one-third leezes form part of the salary or revenue for the time being of the mayor, and one-third of a leeze is enjoyed by the second serjeant at mace, and the remaining leeze is subject to the general disposition of the corporate property after stated.

No. 4.—The guildhall of the said borough, used for public purposes. No profit arising.

No. 5.—The court-house of the said borough, purchased of William Stamp, and used for public purposes. No profit arising.

No. 6.—The ground rents due to the Corporation, about 70*l.* per annum.

No. 7.—Tolls and town dues due to the Corporation, after deducting expenses of collector, about 14*l.* per annum.

No. 8.—Harbour dues due to the Corporation, about 6*l.* per annum.

No. 9.—Freehold expectant on the determination of the several and respective leases.

This is a reversion, and no profit arises at present. The freehold expectant on these leases are altogether of inconsiderable value.

No. 10.—The waste lands belonging to the borough, very trifling value.

No. 11.—Fee-farm rents belonging to the corporation, of the annual value of 4*l.* or thereabouts.

No. 12.—Town quay dues, of no annual value.

The whole of the property numbered respectively 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, belongs to the Corporation in its political or aggregate capacity (except in those instances which before stated expressly, under the several heads, to have been otherwise acquired,) was acquired by the Corporation by grant from the Crown; viz. by their governing charter of Charles I., dated 15th November 1626; most of the property, particularly the fishery, had been, however, acquired by the Corporation existing before the charter of Charles I., and was re-granted by the latter charter. In the grants no express purposes are stated to which the funds were to be applied, and the Corporation in their aggregate capacity are consequently entitled thereto, and the funds are applied by the mayor, jurats and bailiffs, who are the governing body under the powers of their charter, in the following manner; viz. in paying the interest on the debts hereafter stated, amounting to 12,037*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*, due on the bonds of the Corporation under their common seal, borrowed for stocking and storing the oyster grounds, in paying the resident burgesses sums of money for catching and laying oysters, factors, merchants, freightage and other incidental expenses attending the carrying on the oyster business; also the mayor, chamberlain, recorder, water-bailiff and other salaries of the officers of the Corporation, repairs of town-hall and court-house, and all other charges and expenses attending the said Corporation, or the corporate property, or the charges thereon.

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

The stock of oysters, brood and spat now in the fishery, boats, gear, &c. now used in carrying on the oyster fishery.

A variety of books, two maces and the seals of office.

DEBTS due and owing by the Corporation, and Charges on the Corporate Property.

BONDS under the common seal, at five per cent. interest.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
The Stewards of Friendly Society, Sheerness -	470	-	-	Stephen Hobday -	200	-	-
Charity Money, shipwrecked gentlemen -	40	-	-	Fortunatus Pellatt -	250	-	-
Thomas William Brett -	56	-	-	Ann New -	200	-	-
George Evans Baker's Charity	50	-	-	Samuel Beckwith's Niece -	100	-	-
Old Poor-house Bond -	51	9	2	William Tapley, M.D. -	1,000	-	-
Miss Sarah Nevel Townsend -	260	-	-	Richard Martin (Chatham) -	1,000	-	-
Henry Walsall -	100	-	-	Martha Turner -	100	-	-
Miss Sarah Ady -	350	-	-	Robert Fitzwaters -	60	-	-
Sarah Gibbs (Chatham) -	50	-	-	Charles and Judith Townsend	450	-	-
The Trustees of the Widows' Club -	580	-	-	William Sosbe -	50	-	-
William Tapley, M.D. -	200	-	-	Ann Turner -	300	-	-
Miss Hatton -	500	-	-	John Chenoweth -	400	-	-
Miss Hatton -	200	-	-	Richard Crockford -	400	-	-
Thomas Hatton -	500	-	-	William Tapley, M.D. -	500	-	-
Mrs. Elizabeth Gibbs -	150	-	-	William Tapley, M.D. -	1,200	-	-
The Amicable Society, Sheerness -	180	-	-	William Shrubsole Horne -	70	-	-
Archibald Windyer -	300	-	-	Henry Walsall -	100	-	-
				Messrs. Vallance -	1,500	-	-
				William Tapley -	120	-	-
					£.	12,037	9 2

## ANNUITIES.

	£.	s.	d.
William Colyer, esquire, per annum	32	-	-
Dinah Marshall, the like	18	5	-
James Tilley, the like	18	5	-
William King, the like, and for the life of his present wife	18	5	-
Mary Ann Hughes, the like	18	5	-
James Gunner, the like, and for the life of his wife	18	5	-
William Elph, the like, and for the life of his wife	18	5	-
Annuities per annum	141	10	-

The whole property of the Corporation, as enumerated in the Return (except the charitable funds) is subject and liable to the payment of the above debts, which ought first to be provided for.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Queenborough.

NAME.	OFFICE.	TRADE or PROFESSION.
1813:		
William Stamp	Mayor	Master Mariner.
George Evans Baker	Senior Jurat	Collector of the Customs.
John Marshall	Mayor	Grazier.
George Evans Baker	Senior Jurat	Collector of the Customs.
1814:		
Anthony Gibbs	Mayor	A King's Pilot.
William Stamp	Senior Jurat	Master Mariner.
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
William Stamp	Senior Jurat	Master Mariner.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1815:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1816:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1817:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1818:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1819:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Gentleman.
1820:		
Stephen Grestock	Mayor	Oyster Factor.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Gentleman.
1821:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Gentleman.
1822:		
John Marshall	Mayor	Gentleman.
Thomas Young Greet	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1823:		
Henry Walsall	Senior Jurat	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
Henry Walsall	Mayor	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
Stephen Grestock	Senior Jurat	Oyster Factor.
John Marshall	Mayor	Gentleman.
Thomas Young Greet	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Gentleman.
1824:		
John Marshall	Mayor	Gentleman.
Thomas Young Greet	Senior Jurat	Grazier.
1825:		
Thomas Young Greet	Mayor	Grazier.
John Marshall	Senior Jurat	Gentleman.

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CORPORATE OFFICERS—*continued.*

NAME.	OFFICE.	TRADE or PROFESSION.
1826:		
John Marshall - - -	Mayor - - -	Gentleman.
Thomas Young Greet - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Grazier.
Henry Walsall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
1827:		
Thomas Young Greet - - -	Mayor - - -	Grazier.
John Marshall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Gentleman.
1828:		
John Marshall - - -	Mayor - - -	Gentleman.
Henry Walsall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
1829:		
Thomas Young Greet - - -	Mayor - - -	Grazier.
John Marshall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Gentleman.
1830:		
John Marshall - - -	Mayor - - -	Gentleman.
Henry Walsall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
Henry Walsall - - -	Mayor - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
John Marshall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Gentleman.
1831:		
John Marshall - - -	Mayor - - -	Gentleman.
Henry Walsall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
1832:		
Henry Walsall - - -	Mayor - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
Stephen Grestock - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Oyster Factor.
Stephen Hobday - - -	Mayor - - -	Gentleman.
Henry Walsall - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Master of Ordnance Vessel.
James Batcheldor - - -	Senior Jurat - - -	Copperas Merchant.
R. & R. Hinde, Town Clerks.		

## CORPORATION OF RADNOR.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

For the last forty-one years up to this time, there were no Charitable Funds or other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Municipal Corporation of the borough of Radnor, unless by a rate or assessment made on the inhabitants thereof for the general purposes of the borough, similar to county rates.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Radnor.*

1812:		Thomas Frankland Lewis - Esquire.	Thomas Frankland Lewis - Esquire; Recorder.
John Taylor - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.	Thomas Hutchinson - - -	- Esquire.
Thomas Duggan - - -	- Esquire.	Richard Urwick - - -	- Esquire.
Richard Williams - - -	- Clerk.	Richard Williams - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.
Jeremiah Griffiths - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.		
Richard Urwick - - -	- Esquire.	1815:	
John Monkhouse - - -	- Esquire.	Thomas Frankland Lewis -	- Esquire, Recorder.
1813:		Thomas Duggan - - -	- Esquire.
Thomas Frankland Lewis -	- Esquire, Recorder.	John Taylor - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.
John Taylor - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.	Thomas Bright - - -	- Farmer.
Thomas Duggan - - -	- Esquire.	Richard Williams - - -	- Freeholder.
Jeremiah Griffiths - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.	Thomas Hutchinson - - -	- Esquire.
Thomas Hutchinson - - -	- Esquire.	George Hutchinson - - -	- Farmer.
Richard Urwick - - -	- Esquire.		
Richard Williams - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.	1816:	
1814:		Thomas Frankland Lewis -	- Esquire, Recorder.
Thomas Bright - - -	- Farmer.	Thomas Duggan - - -	- Esquire.
Thomas Duggan - - -	- Esquire.	Thomas Bright - - -	- Farmer.
John Taylor - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.	John Taylor - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.
		Richard Williams - - -	- Freeholder and farmer.
		Thomas Hutchinson - - -	- Esquire.
		George Hutchinson - - -	- Farmer.

1817:

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

1817:		1825:	
Richard Williams	- Freeholder and farmer.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, Recorder.	Richard Williams	- Clerk.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	John Probert	- Esquire.
George Hutchinson	- Farmer.	John Bate	- Farmer.
Thomas Duggan	- Esquire.	Thomas Probert	- Farmer.
Thomas Bright	- Farmer.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
John Taylor	- Freeholder and farmer.	Thomas Bright	- Farmer.
1818:		1826:	
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, Recorder.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
Thomas Bright	- Farmer.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
Thomas Duggan	- Esquire.	Thomas Probert	- Farmer.
William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.	George Wilson	- Farmer.
Richard Williams	- Freeholder and farmer.	Richard Williams	- Clerk.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	John Probert	- Esquire.
George Hutchinson	- Farmer.	John Bate	- Farmer.
1819:		1827:	
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, Recorder.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
Richard Williams	- Clerk.	Richard Williams	- Clerk.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	John Bate	- Farmer.
George Hutchinson	- Farmer.	John Duggan	- Freeholder and farmer.
Thomas Bright	- Farmer.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
Thomas Duggan	- Esquire.	Thomas Probert	- Farmer.
William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.	George Wilson	- Farmer.
1820:		1828:	
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, Recorder.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
Thomas Duggan	- Esquire.	William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.
William Lewis	- Esquire.	Thomas Probert	- Farmer.
Richard Williams	- Clerk.	Richard Williams	- Clerk.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	John Bate	- Farmer.
George Hutchinson	- Farmer.	John Duggan	- Freeholder and farmer.
1821:		1829:	
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, Recorder.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
Thomas Probert	- Farmer.	John Bate	- Farmer.
Richard Williams	- Clerk.	Richard Williams	- Clerk.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	John Duggan	- Freeholder and farmer.
William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
Thomas Duggan	- Esquire.	William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.
William Lewis	- Esquire.	Thomas Probert	- Farmer.
1822:		1830:	
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, M.P. Recorder.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
Thomas Bright	- Farmer.	William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.
William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
John Taylor	- Freeholder and farmer.	George Wilson	- Farmer.
Thomas Probert	- Farmer.	John Bate	- Farmer.
Richard Williams	- Clerk.	Richard Williams	- Clerk.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	John Duggan	- Freeholder and farmer.
1823:		1831:	
Thomas Frankland Lewis	- Esquire, M.P. Recorder.	The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.
Richard Williams	- Clerk.	John Bate	- Farmer.
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.	Peter Rickard Mynors	- Esquire.
John Bate	- Farmer.	John Whittaker	- Esquire.
Thomas Bright	- Farmer.	William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.
William Prosser Williams	- Clerk.	Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.
John Taylor	- Freeholder and farmer.	George Wilson	- Farmer.
1824:			
The Right hon. Thomas Frankland Lewis	- M.P. Recorder.		
Thomas Probert	- Farmer.		
Thomas Evans	- Freeholder and farmer.		
Thomas Bright	- Farmer.		
Richard Williams	- Clerk.		
Thomas Hutchinson	- Esquire.		
John Bate	- Farmer.		

February 19, 1833.

Jas Price, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF READING.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

(No Return.)

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Reading.*

Names.	Professions and Trades.	Names.	Professions and Trades.
William Knapp	- - None.	Henry Deane	- - None.
George Gilbertson	- - None.	Thomas Garrard	- - Common Brewer.
Lancelot Austwick	- - None.	William Andrews, junior	- - Attorney-at-law.
Martin Annesley	- - None.	Henry Simonds	- - Banker, &c.
William Andrews	- - Attorney-at-law.	Herbert Lewis	- - Woollen-draper.
John Blandy	- - The same.	George Higgs	- - Tanner.
William Blackall Simonds	- - Banker, &c.	William Quelch	- - Linen-draper.
Richard Maul	- - None.	Musgrave Lamb	- - Coal-merchant.
Thomas Sowdon	- - Common Brewer, &c.	Thomas Grint Curties	- - None.
Robert Harris	- - Banker.	John Jackson Blandy	- - Attorney-at-law.
Thomas Ward	- - None.	William Blandy	- - Common Brewer.
William Stephens	- - Banker, &c.	John Lamball Dewe	- - Upholder.

28th June 1833.

J. J. Blandy, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF EAST RETFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of East Retford are impropiators of the West Retford rectory, of which the Rev. A. Youle is the present incumbent; and upwards of twenty years ago the right of presentation, on Mr. Youle's death or avoidance, was sold by the Corporation to Thomas Lacy Dickenson, esq. The living is computed at 600 *l.* or 700 *l.* a year value.

All the muniments of the Corporation are now, and have for a considerable time past been, lodged in the office of one of the Masters in Chancery. It is probable that there may be amongst them some documents to show how the Corporation derived certain parts of the property now in their possession, as to which, in the following Return, it is stated, that it is not known in what manner the Corporation became entitled. If material, the documents could be examined.

NATURE OF FUNDS and other Property.	HOW ACQUIRED.	TENANTS' NAMES.	FOR WHAT PURPOSES GIVEN.	Mode of Distribution.	ANNUAL RENT.
One hundred pounds -	By Will of Beaumont Marshall.	- - - -	- - - The interest to be distributed among ten poor families in East Retford, at Christmas.	So applied.	£ s. d.
Ten pounds annually issuing out of land called the Long Holme, in the parish of Claborough.	By Will of Ann Woolley	- - - -	- - - -	- - Two-thirds to the poor of East Retford, and one-third to the poor of West Retford.	
One hundred pounds -	By Will of Thomas Welch.	- - - -	- - - -	- - The interest to ten poor widows of East Retford, to be distributed by the vicar and bailiffs.	
Twenty pounds -	By Will of Mrs. Sharp	- - - -	- - - -	- - The interest to be given to the poor of East Retford at Christmas.	
Forty pounds -	By Will of Mr. Wharton	- - - -	- - - -	Same as last.	
Fifty pounds -	By Will of George Popplewell.	- - - -	- - - -	Same.	
Twenty pounds -	By Will of Hannah Saltmarsh.	- - - -	- - - -	- - The interest to be distributed among the poor of East Retford annually by the vicar.	
Twenty-four pounds -	By Will of Barbara Moody.	- - - -	- - - -	The interest to six poor widows.	
Twenty-one pounds -	By Will of Sarah Brown.	- - - -	- - - -	- - The interest for the education of two poor girls of East Retford.	
Three closes in the parish of Ordsall.	By Will of the Rev. William Haughton.	Alderman George Hudson. William Eyre.	- - For the benefit of the East Retford school, as follows: £.4 annually to the head master, & the residue to the usher.	So applied -	14 - -

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

NATURE OF FUNDS and other Property.	HOW ACQUIRED.	TENANTS' NAMES.	FOR WHAT PURPOSES GIVEN.	Mode of Distribution.	ANNUAL RENT.
Land and houses in East Retford and West Retford.	By Will of Richard Sloswick.	-- Mrs. Chappell, Thomas Appleby, John Mee, Edward Parker, James Lee, Jonathan Ward. John Parker -	-- For the mainte- nance of six poor men belonging to East Retford.	-- Applied as directed by the founder.	£. s. d. 85 12 9
A freehold house and farm at Blesby and Morton.	-- This property is claimed to belong to the East Retford free grammar school. If so, it was the subject of an endowment by King Edward the Sixth. The question is now involved in a Chancery suit.	Thomas Daybel -	- - - - -	- - - - -	19 - -
Ditto - - -		Elizabeth Horsepool -	- - - - -	- - - - -	22 10 -
Ditto - - -		John Holmes -	- - - - -	- - - - -	24 10 -
Ditto - - -		Mrs. Sharp -	- - - - -	- - - - -	45 - -
A freehold house and farm at Sutton-cum- Lound.		John Walker -	- - - - -	- - - - -	70 - - 105 - -
An annuity payable by the Chesterfield Can- al Company.	- - - - -	- - - - -	-- For the grant of a piece of waste land from the Corporation of East Retford, as lords of the manor of East Retford.	- - - - -	2 15 3
A freehold house in East Retford.	Not known - -	William Eyre -	-- Applied to the general purposes of the Corporation.	- - - - -	38 10 -*
Freehold land in Clar- borough.	Not known - -	Alderman George Thornton.	The like - -	- - - - -	22 8 6
Paper-mill in West Ret- ford.	-- By purchase from the Crown several cen- turies ago.	Horatio Nelson -	The like - -	- - - - -	75 10 -
Freehold land in Lit- tle Gringley.	- - - - -	John Mee -	- - - - -	-- To the gene- ral purposes of the corporation.	7 10 -
Ground rent for free- hold houses in East Retford.	- - - - -	Joseph Williams -	- - - - -	The like -	2 - -
Ground rent for a freehold house in East Retford.	- - - - -	Robert Hudson -	- - - - -	The like -	2 10 6
Freehold land in Clar- borough and North Wheatley.	- - - - -	William Sherratt -	- - - - -	The like -	36 10 -
Freehold land and buildings in East Retford.	- - - - -	John Howe -	- - - - -	The like -	10 - -
Town Hall.	- - - - -	Alderman Thomas Appleby.	- - - - -	The like -	6 - -
Freehold land in Ord- sall.	- - - - -	Alderman John Par- ker.	- - - - -	The like -	13 5 -
Freehold land in Clar- borough & Ordsall.	- - - - -	Alderman George Hudson.	- - - - -	The like -	29 10 -
Two freehold houses in East Retford.	- - - - - - Not known -	John Manwaring & Worthington Tho- mas Gylby.	- - - - -	The like -	60 - -
Freehold land in Clar- borough.	- - - - -	Alderman Francis Dewick.	- - - - -	The like -	5 10 -
Freehold house in East Retford.	- - - - -	Peter Dickenson, esq.	- - - - -	The like -	13 - -
Freehold house in Clarborough.	- - - - -	George Ibberson -	- - - - -	The like -	37 - -
Freehold house in East Retford.	- - - - -	William Pearson -	- - - - -	The like -	10 - -
Ditto - - -	- - - - -	John Walton -	- - - - -	The like -	15 - -
Freehold land in Clar- borough & Ordsall.	- - - - -	Alderman Joshua Cottam.	- - - - -	The like -	42 13 -
Freehold land in Ord- sall.	- - - - -	Francis White -	- - - - -	The like -	15 10 -
Freehold land in Clar- borough.	- - - - -	Alderman William Clark.	- - - - -	The like -	11 - -
Freehold warehouse, shops, news-room, &c.	- - - - -	William Sprentall & others.	- - - - -	The like -	17 6 -
Freehold land in Clar- borough.	- - - - -	George Bailey -	- - - - -	The like -	29 - -
Ditto - - -	- - - - -	Geo. & John Kippax	- - - - -	The like -	21 16 -
Wharf - - -	- - - - -	Chesterfield Canal Company.	- - - - -	The like -	150 - -

\* Of this rent, the sum of ten guineas is paid to the use of the school in East Retford.

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## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

NATURE OF FUND and other Property.	HOW ACQUIRED.	TENANTS' NAMES.	FOR WHAT PURPOSES GIVEN.	Mode of Distribution.	ANNUAL RENT.
Workhouse - -	Not known - -	Retford Parish -	- - - -	- - To the ge- neral purposes of the Corpo- ration - - -	£. s. d. 60 - -
Freehold house, &c. -	Not known - -	Richard Hutchinson	- - - -	The like -	4 1 10½
Freehold house, &c. -	-- Grant from the	Broxholme Slaney	- - - -	The like -	8 8 -
Water corn-mill and warehouse.	Crown and by pur- chase.	Thomas Foster	- - - -	The like -	14 10 -
Freehold house and warehouse.	Not known - -	Robert Jackson	- - - -	The like -	4 10 -
Nine cottages in East Retford.	Not known - -	- - - -	- - Used as alms- houses for, and oc- cupied by eighteen poor women.	- - - -	- - - -
Two hundred and fifty pounds.	- - - -	- - - -	- - The interest is laid out from time to time in purchasing coals for the use of the women in the almshouses.	- - - -	- - - -
Freehold land in Clar- borough, containing 19 A. 3 R. -	Not known - -	Occupied by all the aldermen.	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -
Ground rent for estate in Milnton, Wallsby, &c.	Not known - -	Duke of Newcastle	Claimed to belong to the grammar-school.	- - - -	2 7 -
Quit-rents and fee-farm rents.	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- 9 6

N.B.—The Corporation estates are subject to several mortgages, which amount altogether to 3,720 £, and to several out-payments, amounting annually in the whole to about 11 £.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—East Retford.

YEAR.	N A M E.	PROFESSION or TRADE.	OFFICE.
1813	Richard Chappell - -	Flour-seller - - -	Senior bailiff.
	George Thornton - -	Surveyor of Taxes - - -	Junior bailiff.
1814	Beaumont Marshall - -	Grocer - - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Cocking - -	Butcher - - -	Junior bailiff.
1815	Joshua Cottam - -	Butcher - - -	Senior bailiff.
	John Dawber - -	Glazier - - -	Junior bailiff.
1816	John Mason - -	Shoemaker - - -	Senior bailiff.
	Jonathan Banks - -	Blacksmith - - -	Junior bailiff.
1817	Thomas Welch - -	Grocer - - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Meekley - -	Draper - - -	Junior bailiff.
1818	John Kirke - -	Esquire - - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Cottam - -	Victualler - - -	Junior bailiff.
1819	John Parker - -	Gentleman - - -	Senior bailiff.
	John Hoult - -	Shoemaker - - -	Junior bailiff.
1820	Darker Parker - -	Lime and Coal-dealer - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Cartwright - -	Glover - - -	Junior bailiff.
1821	William Meekley - -	Draper - - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Cartwright - -	Glover - - -	Junior bailiff.
1822	William Clark - -	Retired from business (formerly a leather breeches-maker.)	Senior bailiff.
	William Cottam - -	Victualler - - -	Junior bailiff.
1823	John Thornton, junior - -	Shoemaker - - -	Senior bailiff.
	John Dawber - -	Plumber - - -	Junior bailiff.
1824	Joshua Cottam - -	Butcher - - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Cottam - -	Victualler - - -	Junior bailiff.
1825	George Thornton - -	Deputy Stamp Distributor - -	Senior bailiff.
	Thomas Appleby - -	Miller and Flour-seller - -	Junior bailiff.
1826	George Hudson - -	Druggist - - -	Senior bailiff.
	John Dawber - -	Plumber - - -	Junior bailiff.
1827	John Thornton - -	Gentleman - - -	Senior bailiff.
	George Bailey - -	Butcher - - -	Junior bailiff.
1828	John Parker - -	Gentleman - - -	Senior bailiff.
	William Elvidge - -	Shoemaker - - -	Junior bailiff.
1829	Francis Dewick - -	Grocer - - -	Senior bailiff.
	James Bailey - -	Whitesmith - - -	Junior bailiff.
1830	John Dawber - -	Glazier - - -	Senior bailiff.
	Frederick Pennington - -	Gardener - - -	Junior bailiff.
1831	George Thornton - -	Deputy Stamp Distributor - -	Senior bailiff.
	John Hoult - -	Shoemaker - - -	Junior bailiff.
1832	William Kirke - -	Esquire - - -	Senior bailiff.
	Thomas Slaney - -	Shoemaker - - -	Junior bailiff.

The two bailiffs are the only persons (except the recorder) who by virtue of their election to corporate offices act as magistrates.

The aldermen do not act as magistrates.

The magistrates for the county of Nottingham have no jurisdiction in the borough.

16 February 1833.

J. Mee.

## CORPORATION OF RICHMOND.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Dr - - The Corporation of Richmond, in Account with Thomas Bradley, late Mayor - - Cr.

1831:	£. s. d.	1831:	£. s. d.
Paid Eliz. Fishburn, Mary Retford, Ann Brown and Jane Corbet, the widows in Pinkney's Hospital - - -	6 10 -	By Cash of the King's auditor -	12 - -
Paid Jane Thompson, Eleonor Hall and Susan Thompson, widows, in Bead-house, Bower's Charity - - -	10 - -	" William Mason, for Bowes' Charity, out of Lowne-thwaite farm - - -	10 - -
Paid Allen's Charity to six decayed tradesmen - - -	1 4 -	" Lord Dundas, Bathurst's exhibition - - -	8 - -
Paid John Hall, son of Ch <sup>r</sup> Hall, Bathurst's apprentice fee - -	4 - -	" Ditto - - - ditto, apprentice fee - - -	4 - -
Paid George Atkinson Walker, Bathurst's exhibition for a student at Trinity College - -	8 - -	" Ditto, Pinkney's Hospital - - -	1 - -
Paid the amount of King's audit money - £. 12 - -		" Ditto, Scott's and Allen's Charity - - -	2 8 -
Scott's Charity - 1 4 -		" John Grundy, for Pinkney's Hospital - - -	1 - -
Norton's ditto - 1 4 -	15 8 -	" Mr. Harrison, for ditto - - -	4 - -
Greetham's ditto - 1 - -		" Mr. Stapleton, Norton's Charity - - -	1 4 -
To sundry poor persons.		" J. Thompson's heirs, Dawson's Charity - - -	- 18 -
Paid Dawson's Charity to 18 poor widows - - -	- 18 -	" John Hutton, Esq. Greetham's Charity - - -	1 - -
Paid Clerk's Charity, by Mr. Tate, to Stoddart, the farrier, for his son - - -	1 - -	" George Croft, for Pinkney's Hospital - - -	- 10 -
Paid the serjeants, for the races, as per bill - - -	6 4 6	" John Carter, Clerk's Charity (received and paid by Mr. Tate) - - -	1 - -
Paid Mrs. Paul Wilson, for decorating the Cup - - -	- 5 -	Balance due to Thomas Bradley -	12 10 4½
Paid George King, for coals for poor people - - -	5 8 10½		
Paid the serjeants, for attending delivery of the same - - -	- 12 -		
	£. 59 10 4½		£. 59 10 4½

For the way in which the above charities were acquired, see Further Report of the Commissioners for Charities, dated 25 January 1832, No. 7, page 655.

Ottiwell Tomlin, Town Clerk.

The Corporation of Richmond, in Account with John Colling, the Chamberlain, for the Year 1831, ending 1832.

## ANNUAL SALARIES.

TO WHOM PAID.	ON WHAT ACCOUNT.	WHEN DUE.	No. of Voucher.	AMOUNT.
				£. s. d.
Elizabeth Fishburn -	Cleaning castle walks -	13 December, payable quarterly -	1. 31. 82. 134	2 12 -
Marley and Brown -	Serjeants-at-mace, for inspecting shambles -	Lady-day 1831 -	9	1 1 -
Edward Marley -	Serjeant-at-mace -	13 January 1832, payable quarterly -	11. 60. 105. 160	7 10 -
William Brown -	- ditto - - -	- ditto - - -	8. 58. 59. 161	7 10 -
James Craven -	Cleaning grates and locking up water - - -	Michaelmas 1831, payable half-yearly -	4 & 104	4 - -
Mary Spence -	Sweeping back flags -	Martinmas 1831, ditto - - -	21 & 123	2 - -
William Stubbs -	Ringling bell and cleazing court - - -	Martinmas 1831, ditto - - -	22 & 125	1 15 -
Timothy Taylor -	Care of the engine - -	- ditto - - ditto -	31 & 131	4 4 -
George Wade -	Schoolmaster - -	Christmas 1831, ditto - - -	140	50 - -
William Johnson -	Weeding footpaths - -	September 1831 -	92	- 13 -

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

TO WHOM PAID.	ON WHAT ACCOUNT.	WHEN DUE.	No. of Voucher.	AMOUNT.
Matthew Greathead	Cleaning chandeliers in common hall - -	Races, payable half-yearly - -	99	£. s. d. - 10 -
William Wright -	Taking down town hall screen - -	Michaelmas 1831 -	100	- 10 -
Jane King - -	Cleaning streets - -	Martinmas 1831 -	127	4 4 -
Jane King - -	Attending Westfield and Aislabeck pastures -	Martinmas 1831 -	183	4 4 -
Ottiwell Tomlin, Esq. -	Town clerk - -	Michaelmas 1831 -	- - -	1 6 8
George Wailes, Esq. -	Recorder - -	- ditto - - ditto -	- - -	6 13 4
Mr. W. Terry -	Winding up and taking care of town clock -	January 1832 -	155	4 - -
John Thompson -	Mole-catcher - -	May 1831 - -	29	1 15 -
Thomas Barker (sexton)	Casing the cushions in the aldermen's seats at the parish church - -	Martinmas 1831 -	126	- 8 -
The Chamberlains	Attending Westfield pasture - - -	Michaelmas 1831 -	- - -	1 1 -
				£. 105 17 -

TITHES, PAROCHIAL AND OTHER RATES AND ASSESSMENTS.			No. of Voucher.	£. s. d.
1831:				
June 7.	Mr. Jeffery Horsman, half-year's poor-rate and land-tax, due 6th April 1831 - - -		30	16 5 10
June 7.	Mr. Jeffery Horsman, on account of the Vagrant Office, for the year ending April 1831 - - -		32	10 - -
June 22.	Mrs. Waller, half-year's window-tax of the common hall - -		42	1 10 -
July 8.	Surveyors of highways, second rate of 6 d. in the pound - -		55	3 18 9
Sept. 16.	Churchwardens, one year's church-rate, due Easter 1832 - -		84	4 6 9
	16. Surveyors of highways for Westfield plantation - - -		85	- 3 9
	29. Metcalfe and Dinsdale, half-year's poor-rate and land-tax, due Michaelmas 1831 - - -		98	15 5 10
Dec. 9.	Surveyors of highways' composition - - -		132	5 8 -
1832:				
Jan. 16.	Mrs. Waller, half-year's window-tax, as above - - -		156	1 10 -
	30. Surveyors of highways, for the Westfield pasture and plantation, a rate of 9 d. in the pound - - -		172	4 2 6
	The Rev. William Barnes, Rector of Richmond, tithes due Michaelmas 1831 - - -		118	21 4 -
	Ditto, for Cotterell's pension - - -		- - -	8 - -
			£.	91 15 5
GAS LIGHTS.				
1831:				
Aug. 30.	John Bradwell, clerk to the Gas Company, half-year's payment for lighting the town streets - - -		75	37 10 -
1832:				
Jan. 9.	James West - - ditto - - ditto - - -		157	37 10 -
			£.	75 - -
ANNUITIES AND INTEREST OF MONEY.				
1831:				
Mar. 24.	Hannah Hogg, one quarter's annuity, due this day - - -		2	5 - -
June 16.	Robert Lonsdale, half-year's interest due on 2,000 l. borrowed money, due this day - - -		38	45 - -
	24. Hannah Hogg, one quarter's annuity, due this day - - -		46	5 - -
Sept. 24.	Hannah Hogg - - ditto - - ditto - - -		93	5 - -
Dec. 19.	Robert Lonsdale, half-year's interest due on 2,000 l., due 16th December 1831 - - -		135	45 - -
	23. Hannah Hogg, one quarter's annuity, due 24th December 1831 -		137	5 - -
			£.	110 - -
TRINITY CHAPEL.				
May 12.	Matthew Bell, for sheet almanack - - -		19	- 2 -
	16. Joseph Moor (clerk), half-year's salary, due May-day - - -		23	2 12 6
	16. William Stubbs, for washing surplice - - -		- - -	- 6 -
July 8.	William Stubbs, as per bill, coals, &c. - - -		54	1 16 6
Nov. 19.	George Anderson, for fixing window, &c. - - -		120	- 4 -
	23. Joseph Moor, half-year's salary, due Martinmas - - -		124	2 12 6
	23. William Stubbs, for washing surplice - - -		- - -	- 6 -

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

TRINITY CHAPEL—continued.					No. of Voucher.	£.	s.	d.
1832:								
Jan.	2.	J. D. Metcalfe, repairing windows, &c.	-	-	145	2	3	6½
	2.	Matthew Norman, carpenter, as per bill	-	-	147	-	9	6
	6.	William Stubbs, as per bill	-	-	148	1	10	6
	10.	Thomas Parkinson, carpenter, hanging window	-	-	159	-	1	6
	30.	William Carter, one dozen candles	-	-	175	-	8	-
						£.	12	12 6½
RACES AND RACE-GROUND.								
1831:								
Oct.	5.	Ralph Wharton, three days levelling the race-ground	-	-	101	-	3	9
	14.	George King, fixing stoops and cords round the course	-	-	106	5	15	-
Nov.	22.	Thomas Langstaff, ropes, as per bill	-	-	122	2	4	-
1832:								
Jan.	9.	Mrs. Waller, entrance day, for wine, &c.	-	-	153	4	1	-
						£.	12	3 9
WEEDING PUBLIC STREETS.								
1831:								
July	16.	Reuben Ingleby, weeding market-place	-	-	49	-	6	-
	19.	Robert Lawson, weeding Frenchgate	-	-	64	1	1	-
	19.	Edward Moor, allowance of 2d. per day	-	-	62	-	4	6
Aug.	13.	Thomas Fryer, weeding market-place	-	-	71	-	10	-
Sept.	12.	Robert Lawson, weeding part of Newbeggin	-	-	83	-	14	-
	17.	Elizabeth Craven & Son, ditto	-	-	88	-	3	-
	17.	John Barker, as per bill	-	-	89	-	4	6
Oct.	19.	Martin White, as per bill	-	-	109	-	18	-
1832:								
Jan.	9.	John Dinsdale, overseer for paupers, weeding, as per bill	-	-	152	1	15	8
						£.	5	16 8
SAND QUARRY.								
1832:								
Jan.	12.	William Craven, for 642 loads of sand, at 2½d. per load	-	-	£.	6	13	9
WESTFIELD INCLOSURE.								
1831:								
April	9.	Thomas Shaw, walling, as per bill	-	-	3	1	4	6
	9.	James Craven, dressing quicksets	-	-	6	-	11	-
	29.	Jeffrey Blyth, for heading	-	-	18	2	-	-
May	21.	Joseph Harland and William Stabler, for cutting and heading thorns	-	-	28	1	-	-
June	7.	Joseph Harland, for ditto	-	-	39	-	14	-
July	16.	Joseph Harland, for dressing quicksets	-	-	63	1	4	2½
Aug.	20.	Edward Lawson, ditto	-	-	72	-	13	2½
	22.	Joseph Brown - ditto	-	-	73	-	6	10½
Sept.	10.	John Hunter, Gilling, for quicks	-	-	81	1	19	9
	17.	John Barker, repairing rails	-	-	89	-	3	-
	17.	Francis Bowes, as per bill	-	-	91	-	4	-
Oct.	8.	Jeffery Blyth, for dressing quicksets	-	-	103	1	2	5
	22.	James Craven, for levelling, as per bill	-	-	112	-	6	-
						£.	11	8 11½
WESTFIELD AND AISLABECK.								
1831:								
April	9.	William Stabler, six days, at 2s. per day	-	-	5	-	12	-
	16.	William Stabler, five days, at 2s. per day	-	-	7	-	10	-
	23.	William Stabler, six days, at 2s. per day	-	-	13	-	12	-
	26.	Jane King, heading, as per bill	-	-	10	1	5	-
	29.	Joseph Harland, five days, at 2s. per day	-	-	17	-	10	-

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## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

	No. of Voucher.	£.	s.	d.
<b>1831:</b>				
May 21. Joseph Harland, six days, at 2s. per day - - - - -	25	-	12	-
William Stabler, five days - ditto - - - - -		-	10	-
21. William Craven, for setting stoops - - - - -	26	-	5	-
June 8. James Craven, five and a half days, at 3s. per day - - -	33	-	16	6
11. James Craven, as per bill - - - - -	34	1	5	1½
21. William Craven, mowing thistles - - - - -	47	-	10	-
William Craven, cleaning quicks - - - - -		-	5	-
July 2. William Craven & Son, as per bill - - - - -	50	-	10	-
9. William Craven & Son - ditto - - - - -	56	-	4	-
15. Joseph Brown, stubbing thistles - - - - -	61	-	13	9
20. John Fryer and several others, for pulling hay-greens, 37 days, at 9d. per day - - - - -	65	1	7	9
Aug. 6. John Craven and others, as per bill - - - - -	69	-	14	10½
11. William Craven, as per bill - - - - -	70	-	5	6
27. Jane Lawson & Son, pulling hay-greens - - - - -	74	-	5	-
Sept. 17. Elizabeth Craven, as per bill - - - - -	90	-	3	-
Oct. 19. Martin White, as per bill - - - - -	110	-	2	3
21. Joseph Brown, for scaling, as per bill - - - - -	111	-	6	-
24. Hannah Beadnell and Ann Cowling, for scaling, as per bill -	-	-	6	-
Nov. 15. Christopher Harbron, as per bill - - - - -	117	-	12	-
<b>1832:</b>				
Jan. 9. John Dinsdale, overseer for Ralph Wharton's work, as per bill	153	-	13	9
	£	13	16	6
<b>WATER, DRAINS AND PAVING PUBLIC STREETS.</b>				
<b>1831:</b>				
April 16. James Craven & Son, making new drain and altering pavement, &c. in front of Mr. Macfarlan's - - - - -	10	1	8	4½
23. James Craven & Son, making new channel in front of new flaggings, behind Mr. Macfarlan's and Mr. Cooke's - - -	14	1	4	-
May 17. James Craven & Son, paving in front of Mr. Cooke's - - -	24	-	14	-
21. James Craven, repairing drain in Newbeggin - - - - -	27	-	10	6
June 18. James Craven and others, repairing pavement - - - - -	40	1	17	6
25. James Craven, as per bill - - - - -	48	1	3	6
July 2. James Craven and others, as per bill - - - - -	53	1	2	6
8. James Craven and others, paving in Millgate - - - - -	57	1	7	6
23. James Craven and others, repairing drains and paving in Mill- gate and the market-place - - - - -	66	1	5	-
30. James Craven and others, as per bill - - - - -	67	-	15	-
Sept. 10. James Craven, as per bill - - - - -	80	1	4	9
17. James Craven & Son, as per bargain - - - - -	86	-	12	-
24. James Craven & Son, as per bill - - - - -	95	-	14	6
Oct. 8. James Craven & Son, repairing pavement in the market-place, near the Talbot Inn - - - - -	102	1	14	-
15. James Craven & Son, as per bill - - - - -	108	-	5	-
Nov. 12. James Craven & Son, repairing drain and pavement in the Bar Green, Millgate - - - - -	115	2	3	-
Dec. 24. James Craven and others, making new drain from the back Wyend, through Mrs. Waller's low yard, &c. &c. - - -	138	1	17	6
31. J. Craven and others, making new drain through Mrs. Waller's high yard and to Mr. Raw's yard - - - - -	144	1	14	3
<b>1832:</b>				
Jan. 7. James Craven and others, opening the ground to repair the water-pipes betwixt High Conduit and Cross - - - - -	149	1	17	6
28. J. Craven and others, making part of a new drain in the Wyend, near the soap-house - - - - -	169	-	9	-
28. J. Craven and others, for paving in the Wyend, behind Mr. Hea- lop's, and in Rattin-row - - - - -	171	6	9	-
	£.	30	8	4½
<b>INCIDENTALS, chiefly for Repairs of Corporation Property.</b>				
<b>1831:</b>				
April 23. Richard Harrison, Carpenter - - - - - as per bill	12	1	3	6
26. Jane King, labourer - - - - - ditto -	15	1	5	-
May 13. William Bullock, mason - - - - - ditto -	20	2	3	7

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

		No. of Voucher.	£. s. d.
1831:			
June 11.	Matthew Deacon, quarryman - - - - as per bill	35	1 10 -
11.	Christopher Jackson, mason - - - - ditto -	36	1 19 6
18.	John Russell, labourer - - - - ditto -	41	- 6 8
22.	Mrs. Waller - - - - ditto -	43	- 10 -
	Mrs. Waller - - - - ditto -	44	- 17 -
	Mrs. Waller - - - - ditto -	45	- 4 8
July 2.	William Bullock, mason - - - - ditto -	51	6 5 9
2.	William Craven & Son, paviors - - - - ditto -	52	- 8 -
Aug. 9.	James Newton, carpenter - - - - ditto -	68	2 11 7
30.	Joseph Bradwell, ironmonger - - - - ditto -	77	- 1 3
	Joseph Bradwell - ditto -	78	3 1 3
	Joseph Bradwell - ditto -	79	1 3 4
Sept. 17.	William Mattison, mason - - - - ditto -	87	6 11 9
24.	William Brown - - - - ditto -	-	- 1 -
24.	John Newton, carpenter - - - - ditto -	94	- 8 -
27.	Francis Atkinson, smith - - - - ditto -	96	1 10 1
29.	William Walker, cabinet-maker - - - - ditto -	97	- 2 -
Oct. 15.	Christopher Jackson, mason - - - - ditto -	107	3 4 4½
24.	Christopher Jackson, ditto - - - - ditto -	-	- 3 9
26.	William Wright, carpenter - - - - ditto -	113	- 13 1
Nov. 9.	William Bullock, mason - - - - ditto -	114	7 14 6
12.	Ralph Wharton, labourer - - - - ditto -	116	- 14 7
19.	Robert Todd, carpenter - - - - ditto -	119	5 19 8½
19.	George Anderson, stone-mason - - - - ditto -	121	5 4 -
Dec. 7.	Jane King, labourer - - - - ditto -	128	6 19 -
	Jane King, ditto - - - - ditto -	129	2 - 5
9.	Ralph Miller, lime burner - - - - ditto -	133	1 13 8
20.	Francis Atkinson, smith - - - - ditto -	136	- 1 10
24.	James Newton, carpenter - - - - ditto -	139	- 7 3
29.	Richard Gill - - - - ditto -	141	- 8 7
	William Mason, tanner - - - - ditto -	142	- 4 9½
	John Mason - ditto - - - - ditto -	143	- 3 9
1832:			
Jan. 2.	John Dickson Metcalfe, plumber and glazier - - - - ditto -	146	3 9 4½
7.	Ralph Wharton, labourer - - - - ditto -	150	- 6 9
9.	Joseph Bradwell, ironmonger - - - - ditto -	151	- 19 9
	John Bainbridge - ditto -	152	- 13 6½
	William Wright, carpenter - - - - ditto -	154	- 2 3
10.	Andrew Miscamble, smith - - - - ditto -	158	- 19 -½
18.	William Gill, timber merchant - - - - ditto -	162	- 1 -
19.	William Gatonby, whitesmith - - - - ditto -	163	- 8 1
24.	William Mattison, for rebuilding the dunghill } wall in the Wyend, behind Mr. Heslop's - }	ditto - 164	6 2 1
	Richard Mackay, stone-mason - - - - ditto -	165	1 2 4
25.	James Metcalfe, cartwright - - - - ditto -	166	- 5 -
26.	Francis Atkinson, smith - - - - ditto -	167	- 2 6
	John Hubbick - ditto - - - - ditto -	168	- 12 1
28.	Jane King, labourer - - - - ditto -	170	5 2 9
30.	Robert Gill, for slates, flags, &c. • - - - ditto -	173	6 9 7
	John Metcalfe, plumber - - - - ditto -	174	6 8 9
	John Ward, Druggist, oil and paint - - - - ditto -	176	1 8 3
	George Anderson, mason - - - - ditto -	177	- 7 -
	James Harrison, heading - - - - ditto -	178	- 17 -
	Richard Harrison, carpenter - - - - ditto -	179	3 7 6
	Matthew Bell, for printing abstracts of accounts, } receipt books, &c. - }	ditto - 180	11 6 3
Feb. 4.	Miss King, ironmonger - - - - ditto -	181	1 16 11½
7.	Joseph Alderson, posts and rails - - - - ditto -	182	3 1 4½
7.	Matthew Deacon, quarryman - - - - ditto -	183	2 4 6
March 6.	Thomas Bradley, esq., for surveying and setting out Westfield } inclosure - }	184	6 16 6
29.	T. & A. Bowman, printers, as per bill - - - - -	185	- 5 -
	Mrs. Waller, for fires up to 12th January 1832 - - - -	186	2 - -
April 18.	Ottiwell Tomlin, esq., for law business, &c., as per receipt -	187	20 13 11
	Alderman Simpson, late mayor's account - - - -	188	13 19 -
		£.	169 5 4

### RECAPITULATION.

Dr - - The Corporation of Richmond, in Account with John Colling, Chamberlain - - Cr.

<p>1831:</p> <p>To amount of salaries - -</p> <p>Ditto annuities, interest of money - - }</p> <p>Tithes and parochial rates - -</p> <p>Gas lights - - -</p> <p>Trinity chapel - - -</p> <p>Races and race-ground - -</p> <p>Weeding public streets - -</p> <p>Sand quarry - - -</p> <p>Westfield inclosure - -</p> <p>Westfield and Aialabæk - -</p> <p>Water, drains and paving - -</p> <p>Incidentals, chiefly for repairs - -</p> <p>Commission on 973 l. 9 s. 3 d. at 1 s. - - }</p> <p>Ditto Watson's arrear, 4 l. 2 s. at 2 s. - - }</p> <p>Mark Bishoprick, allowance of rent William Greenhow - -</p> <p>Matthew Deacon's quarry unoccupied - - }</p> <p>Charles Watson, half-year's rent, having been paid in advance - }</p> <p><b>ARREARS,</b> (most of these have been received since the Account was presented):</p> <p>To Edward Carter, } £. s. d.</p> <p>Lady-day rent - } 15 15 ½</p> <p>Robert Kitson, one year's rent - } 2 15 -</p> <p>Charles Watson, balance Lady-day rent - } - 5 -</p> <p>Samuel Butler, Michaelmas 1831 } 5 - -</p> <p>John Bishoprick, do. - 18 -</p> <p>Francis Bowes - do. 2 2 -</p> <p>George Dunn - do. - 10 -</p> <p>Mrs. Howson - do. - 1 3</p> <p>John Harland - do. 4 15 -</p> <p>Matthew Veal - do. 1 17 6</p> <p>Widow Wright - do. - 5 -</p> <p>1832, April 24:</p> <p>Balance carried forward -</p> <p>£. 1,013 15 6</p>	<p>£. s. d.</p> <p>105 17 -</p> <p>110 - -</p> <p>91 15 5</p> <p>75 - -</p> <p>12 12 6 ½</p> <p>12 3 9</p> <p>5 16 8</p> <p>6 13 9</p> <p>11 8 11 ½</p> <p>13 16 6</p> <p>30 8 4 ½</p> <p>169 5 4</p> <p>48 13 5</p> <p>- 8 2</p> <p>1 10 -</p> <p>- 10 -</p> <p>2 10 -</p> <p>3 15 -</p> <p>34 3 10 ½</p> <p>277 6 8 ½</p> <p>£. 1,013 15 6</p>	<p>1831:</p> <p>By Cash received of Mr. William Gill, late chamberlain - }</p> <p>May-day rent of land and houses in full - - - - }</p> <p>Martinsmas - ditto - ditto - -</p> <p>Cattlegates - - ditto - -</p> <p>Sand, as per account - - -</p> <p>Mr. Henry Cooke, for waste land</p> <p>Christopher Watson's arrear for 1830 - - - - }</p> <p>Commission on arrears for 1831, viz. 34 l. 3 s. 10 ½ d. at 2 s. - }</p> <p>24 10 10</p> <p>349 12 9</p> <p>349 12 9</p> <p>252 17 9</p> <p>27 11 -</p> <p>2 - -</p> <p>4 2 -</p> <p>3 8 5</p> <p>£. 1,013 15 6</p>	<p>1832, April 24:</p> <p>By Balance due to the Corporation</p>
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The lands and tenements from which the before-mentioned revenue arises were given by the first Earls of Richmond to the Burgesses of Richmond.

**Ottizell Tomlin, Town Clerk.**

**CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Richmond.***

Mayor in				Mayor in			
1812. William Close	-	-	Gentleman.	1823. W. S. Goodburne	-	-	Gentleman.
1813. George Gill	-	-	Ironmonger.	1824. William Terry	-	-	{ Watchmaker
1814. William Steaney Goodburne	-	-	Gentleman.				& Silversmith.
1815. George Smith	-	-	ditto.	1825. William Close	-	-	Gentleman.
1816. Michael Brunton	-	-	ditto.	1826. George Gill	-	-	Ironmonger.
1817. William Thompson, jun.	-	-	ditto.	1827. George Smith	-	-	Gentleman.
1818. William Terry	-	-	{ Watchmaker	1828. Michael Brunton	-	-	ditto.
			& Silversmith.	1829. William Thompson	-	-	ditto.
1819. William Thompson, sen.	-	-	Gentleman.	1830. Thomas Simpson	-	-	Banker.
1820. George Kay	-	-	Grocer.	1831. Thomas Bradley	-	-	Land Surveyor.
1821. Philip Macfarlan	-	-	Gentleman.	1832. George Smurthwaite	-	-	Wine Merchant.
1822. John Foss	-	-	Architect.				

George Wailes, esq. Barrister at Law, Recorder of the said borough during the above period.

Each of the above individuals (except Mr. Wailes) has been a Magistrate for the borough during the year of his mayoralty, and for one year next after.

**Ottiwell Tomlin, Town Clerk.**

## CORPORATION OF RIPON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE only Charitable Funds exclusively under the management of the mayor, burgesses and commonalty of the borough of Ripon (the municipal Corporation of this borough), are, the charities of the Ripon Poor Lands, Maison Dieu, or St. Anne's Hospital, Dr. Richardson's Charity, and Alderman Terry's Charity.

I can add nothing respecting these charities to the information already before the House of Commons, and contained in the Report (No. 3) of the Commissioners appointed (by Acts 59 Geo. 3. c. 91, and 59 Geo. 3. c. 81) for inquiry concerning Charities in England and Wales; to which Report I beg leave to refer.

March 16, 1833.

Richard Nicholson, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Ripon.

1. William Farrer	-	-	-	-	Bookseller and Stationer.
2. Richard Johnson	-	-	-	-	Jeweller, Dealer in Gold and Silver Plate, and Clock and Watchmaker.
3. James Britain	-	-	-	-	Maltster and Common Brewer.
4. Charles Harrison, the younger	-	-	-	-	Barrister at Law.
5. William Morton	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
6. Willey Edward Carter	-	-	-	-	Jeweller, Dealer in Gold and Silver Plate, and Clock and Watchmaker.
7. Joseph Bevers Terry	-	-	-	-	Banker.
8. John Britain	-	-	-	-	Banker and Merchant.
9. Peter Wright	-	-	-	-	Mercer and Draper.
10. Ralph Heslop	-	-	-	-	Wine Merchant.
11. William Pearson	-	-	-	-	Leather Merchant and Currier.
12. Reuben Raw	-	-	-	-	Wine Merchant.
13. George Snowden	-	-	-	-	Wholesale and Retail Mercer and Draper.
14. Lancelot Shadwell	-	-	-	-	Barrister at Law, one of His Majesty's Counsel. (The present Vice-Chancellor.)
15. Christopher Nelson	-	-	-	-	Wholesale and Retail Grocer.
16. William Blanshard	-	-	-	-	Barrister at Law.

In the Returns from this borough, which are already before the House, it will be found that the members of this Corporation, who are magistrates by charter, are, the mayor for the time being, the two aldermen who have preceded him in that office, and the recorder for the time being. The same are also magistrates for the liberty of Ripon, under the commission of his Grace the Lord Archbishop of York, who is *custos rotulorum* of the liberty of Ripon.

Of the gentlemen above-named, the following have served the office of mayor twice during the last 20 years; namely,

Mr. Farrer, Mr. Johnson, Mr. James Britain, Mr. Morton, Mr. Carter, Mr. Terry, Mr. John Britain (who also served the office in the year 1804), and Mr. Raw.

The Right honourable Viscount Goderich is also an alderman of this Corporation, to which office he was elected in the year 1809; but he has never acted as a magistrate.

His Honor, the Vice Chancellor, has never acted as a magistrate for the borough, but has acted as a magistrate for the liberty of Ripon, under the commission of his Grace the Archbishop of York.

Charles Harrison, esquire, was elected recorder of this borough in the year 1815, on the resignation of John Williamson, esquire, Barrister at Law, who held that office from the year 1802.

William Blanshard, esquire, was elected recorder in the year 1832, on the resignation of Mr. Harrison Batley, who took this additional surname whilst he held the office.

March 16, 1833.

Richard Nicholson, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF ROCHESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

## PROPERTY of the MAYOR and CITIZENS.

1st.—THE mayor and citizens are possessed of estates within the city, the greater part, if not the whole, of which formed the sites of the ancient city or town ditch, a tower at the east gate, and the ancient prison of the city.

The rents of these estates, in the year ending Michaelmas 1832, amounted to 204*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*

2d.—The mayor and citizens are entitled to a due of 4*d.* per chaldron upon all coals brought into the liberty of the city upon the waters of Medway, viz. from Sheerness to Hawkwood.

They appoint a sufficient number of meters (at present 16), and also find coal measures, scales, weights, &c. for the service of their liberty. A portion of the dues is paid to the meters for metage, and to the water bailiff of the city for collection. These outgoings form a very large deduction from the gross amount of the due.

The gross amount of the due in the last year was 1,544*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.*

3d.—The mayor and citizens are also entitled to a due of 1*d.* per quarter on foreign corn and seeds, imported into the same liberty.

The gross amount of this due in the last year was 27*l.* 18*s.*

4th.—The mayor and citizens are also entitled to a due on the anchorage and groundage of ships and vessels, within the same liberty (other than such as belong to His Majesty), viz.

For every ship or vessel belonging to any Englishman, or any other of His Majesty's subjects, 2*s.*

And for every ship or vessel belonging to foreigners or strangers, 4*s.*

This due is not demanded for vessels registered in the port of Rochester.

A very considerable expense is incurred in the collection of this due.

The gross amount of the due in the last year was 159 *l.* 4 *s.*

5th.—The mayor and citizens are also entitled to a due, commonly called a Thorough Toll, upon all carriages laden with goods or merchandize belonging to strangers (*i. e.* non-freemen) coming into or passing through the city.

The gross amount of this due in the last year was 80 *l.* 18 *s.*

A considerable portion of it is paid for collection.

As to the Property included under the above five heads.—The estates and property comprised under the above five heads are ancient possessions of the city derived by charter and prescription. They were not, so far as is now known to, or can be traced by, the Corporation, given for any special or particular purposes, but merely as general possessions for their general purposes, and they always have been, and are now, made one common fund, which has been, and is, distributed and applied for the general and incidental expenses and purposes of the city.

6th.—The mayor and citizens are entitled to the sums taken on the grant of freedoms to persons coming to reside and carry on trade within the city. The sum taken on the grant of a freedom has varied at different periods; at present, it is 20 *l.* for each.

Few persons have purchased the freedom of late years, and from the extension of the elective franchise, it is presumed that in future years the purchasers will be still more rare.

The mayor and citizens have not received any thing from this source of revenue for nearly two years and a half.

This right exists by immemorial usage, and the force of bye-laws. It is also considered to be incident to all Corporations.

The monies arising from it are carried to the general fund of the city, and applied as part of it.

7th.—The mayor and citizens are entitled to annual sums, payable as fines, by strangers (*i. e.* non-freemen) keeping shops for retailing goods, wares and merchandizes within the city, and which fines are set at 30 *s.* per annum for each such person, and are called payments for "liberty of trade."

The amount received for liberty of trade in the last year was only 6 *l.*

This right exists by long usage, and the force of bye-laws.

The monies arising from it are carried to the general fund of the city, and applied as part of it.

EXPENDITURE.—Among the expenses and purposes of the mayor and citizens defrayed out of the above income, the following may be named, *viz.*

1st.—The maintenance and upholding of a handsome and commodious Guildhall, in which the elections of the representatives of the city in Parliament, the meetings of the citizens in common hall, the elections of the mayor and other officers, the courts of quarter session and gaol delivery, the courts leet of the city, the meetings of the common council, the courts of request, the sittings of the magistrates, and numerous other meetings and assemblies are held.

2d.—The maintenance and upholding of the city gaol and gaoler's house, adjoining to the Guildhall. These buildings are, and for a long series of years have been, hired by the mayor and citizens of the wardens and commonalty of Rochester bridge. The rent paid for them is 100 *l.* per annum, and the current expenses attending the repairing, upholding and supporting them is, from their nature and use, very considerable.

3d.—Assessed taxes, pavement, &c. rate, parochial rates and taxes, minister's dues, insurance, and supply of water, amounting to about 70 *l.* per annum.

4th.—Salaries of the recorder, town clerk, chamberlain, serjeants at mace, and other officers and servants of the Corporation, amounting to 150 *l.* per annum.

5th.—Expenses of special constables and other peace officers on public occasions, and the holding of courts of conservancy on the River Medway.

6th.—The rent of 12 *l.* per annum, reserved by the charter of the city to the Crown, and under which the mayor and citizens hold the city in fee-farm, which rent is now paid to the Earl of Romney, as representative of the grantee of the Crown.

7th.—Contributions to local improvements for the public accommodation, charitable purposes, and other public objects.

8th.—The maintenance of the town quay and common landing places from the river, the market places, with their necessary implements and fittings, three public pumps, and a town clock.

9th.—Unavoidable law expenses.

10th.—An annuity of 425 *l.* charged on the estates and revenues of the mayor and citizens for the continuance of two lives, one of which is still subsisting. An annuity of 30 *l.* to the widow of a late town clerk, and an annuity of 4 *l.* to a charity, called Brooke's charity.

11th.—Allowances to coal-meters and water-bailiffs, employed in relation to the coal dues, corn and seed dues, anchorage and thorough toll above-mentioned, for metage, collection, &c. Coal measures, scales, weights, &c. amounting altogether, on an average, to 700 *l.* per annum.

12th.—Miscellaneous expenses of constant occurrence, and, in the aggregate, very considerable.

N. B.—The only expenses for entertainment which have been paid out of the corporate funds, are for a dinner at the house of the principal serjeant at mace for the poll takers, &c. on the annual day of election of the mayor, coroner and constables, which does not exceed 12 *l.* per annum.

In 1808, it became necessary to erect a new gaol for the city, which work was accomplished at a very great expense; by which, and from other heavy expenses that had fallen on the funds of the mayor and citizens, they were involved in a debt of many thousand pounds beyond what they had the means to discharge. To raise a fund for the liquidation of this debt they granted a number of leases of different parts of their estates for terms of 99 years, at nominal rents, in consideration of fines; and other part they raised by the grant of the above-mentioned annuity of 425 *l.* charged on their estates and revenues for the continuance of two lives, one of which is still subsisting.

Two small pieces of land at Chatham.—In 1823, the mayor and citizens purchased of the Honourable Board of Ordnance two pieces of land, one containing 24 perches, and the other 20 perches, in Chatham, the former of which is let at 2 *l.* 2 *s.* per annum, and the latter has not been occupied since the purchase. It has been offered to a tenant at 1 *l.* per annum: 3 *l.* 2 *s.*

## CHARITABLE FUNDS in the Possession, Order or Disposition of the Mayor and Citizens.

**Watts's Charity.**—Richard Watts, by his Will, dated 22d August 1579, founded a charity at Rochester, and constituted the mayor and citizens trustees of it. He devised to the said mayor and citizens, as trustees of this charity, certain fee-simple estates in Chatham, and other places in Kent, and in Aldersgate-street and Long-lane, London, the annual rents of which he, in his Will, valued at 36*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*; but they now amount to 2,480*l.* 14*s.* gross rent, which is subject to repairs, insurance, &c. amounting to a considerable sum, part of the estates consisting of old houses: 2,480*l.* 14*s.*

There is also a sum of 3,539*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.* stock of Three per Cent. Consolidated Annuities, belonging to the charity, which arose from the investment of the purchase monies of part of the charity estate taken for the public service: 106*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

He directed that out of the rents and profits of the estates, an almshouse should be maintained in Rochester, for the lodging of six poor travellers, and that the residue of the rents and profits should be applied in providing materials for setting the poor of the city of Rochester to work, according to the purvey of the statute 18th Elizabeth.

Pursuant to decrees in several suits in Chancery, which have been instituted concerning this charity, the rents and dividends of the charity estates and funds are thus disposed of, viz.:—

To the parish of St. Nicholas, Rochester	- - - - -	20/32 parts.
To the parish of St. Margaret, Rochester	- - - - -	6/32 parts.
To the part of the parish of Strood lying within the liberties of the city of Rochester	- - - - -	4/32 parts.
And to the part of the parish of Chatham lying within the liberties of the city of Rochester	- - - - -	2/32 parts.

But out of the 20/32d parts of the parish of St. Nicholas, a charity house is maintained in Rochester, for the reception and relief of six poor travellers every night, who are lodged, and paid 4*d.* each.

**Potyn's or St. Catherine's Charity.**—Symond Potyn, by his Will, dated in the Feast of Christmas, 1315, established an hospital or almshouse in Rochester, to be called the Spittell of St. Catherine, of Rochester, for the reception of persons visited with leprous or other diseases that belong to impotence; such persons to be sent by the vicar of St. Nicholas, Rochester, and the bailiff (now mayor) of the city. On 29th January 1704, a decree was made for regulating the affairs and management of this charity, by commissioners appointed by a commission under the great seal.

The ancient estates of the charity (which appears to have been founded by Symond Potyn in his lifetime, and confirmed by his Will) are in the hands and under the direction of the mayor of Rochester and vicar of Saint Nicholas, Rochester, for the time being, who nominate the objects of the charity; viz., heretofore twelve poor women, but lately increased to fourteen, who have apartments in the hospital or almshouse, and receive such weekly stipends as the funds will admit. The rents of such estates in the last year amounted to 333*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.*

**Tomlyn's Charity.**—Thomas Tomlyn, by his Will, dated 23d June 1790, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury 31st March 1797, bequeathed to the mayor, aldermen and recorder of the city of Rochester, and their successors for the time being, 1,100*l.* stock of Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, in trust, to divide and pay the dividends thereof monthly or quarterly, between the 12 poor women for the time being placed and dwelling in the almshouse, called the Spytell of St. Catherine, ordained by Symond Potyn. And he appointed the wardens of the New Bridge, of Rochester, overseers of the trust: 33*l.*

And by a codicil to his Will, dated 29th July 1793, he bequeathed 1,200*l.* sterling to the mayor, recorder and aldermen of the city of Rochester for the time being, upon trust, therewith to build 12 rooms or cottages for the habitation of the 12 poor women of St. Catherine's Hospital, upon certain ground belonging to the said hospital.

This legacy (which was void under the provisions of the statute of Charitable Uses) was paid, and a building containing 12 rooms erected, which has ever since been, and now is, occupied by the 12 poor women, and is called St. Catherine's Hospital.

**Kettle's Charity.**—Susanna Kettle, of St. Margaret, Rochester, widow, by her Will, dated 28th October 1815, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury in 1816, bequeathed to the trustees or other directors of the charity or charitable institution, called St. Catherine's Charity, at Rochester, 100*l.* Three per Cent. Reduced Annuities, to be applied in augmenting the stipends of the poor pensioners of the said charity, and not otherwise. The stock was transferred to the then mayor of Rochester and vicar of the parish of St. Nicholas, Rochester, as trustees and directors of the charity, and the dividends have been applied accordingly: 3*l.*

**Wilcocks' Charity.**—John Willis and Granville Sharp, esquires, trustees of the Will of Joseph Wilcocks, esq. deceased, on 15th January 1805, paid to the then mayor, recorder and aldermen of Rochester, 200*l.* sterling, part of 2,700*l.* stock of Three per Cent. Consolidated Annuities, in their hands, to dispose of to charitable purposes, pursuant to the Will of the said Joseph Wilcocks, in trust, to be applied in augmentation of the said sum of 1,200*l.*, bequeathed by the codicil of the said Thomas Tomlyn, for erecting a new hospital or almshouse as aforesaid.

And the said John Willis and Granville Sharp also paid to the mayor, recorder and aldermen, the further sum of 100*l.*, other part of the same trust monies at their disposal, to defray the expense of erecting a wall to inclose such new hospital.

And the said John Willis and Granville Sharp also transferred into the names of themselves, and the then mayor of Rochester and vicar of St. Nicholas, Rochester, 2,100*l.* stock of Three per Cent. Consolidated Annuities, other part of the same trust funds at their disposal. And a declaration of trust, dated 22d August 1810, was executed, declaring the aforesaid payments and transfer to be in memory of Dr. Joseph Wilcocks, formerly bishop of Rochester, and of his son the said Joseph Wilcocks; and the trusts of the said 2,100*l.* stock were declared to be to pay out of the dividends thereof to each of

the poor women of St. Catherine's Hospital, 2s. per week in augmentation of their stipends, and to apply the small annual surplus of such dividends in payment of the expenses of receiving the same: 63*l*.

**Bailey's Charity.**—Robert Bailey, one of the aldermen of the city of Rochester, by his Will, dated 14th April 1752, and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, bequeathed to George Gordon and Robert Chapman, 300*l*. upon trust, to be by them applied for certain purposes well known to them.

And by Deed, dated 20th August 1774, the trusts of 400*l*. Three-and-a-half per Cent. Annuities, purchased with the said 300*l*., and other monies added thereto by the executors of Mr. Bailey, and on 18th August 1774, transferred into the names of the mayor and citizens of Rochester, are declared, viz. to pay the dividends to the poor women of St. Catherine's Hospital, in augmentation of their stipends.

The fund is now changed to 400*l*. Three per Cent. Consolidated Annuities: 12*l*.

**Fruin's Charity.**—William Fruin, one of the aldermen of the city of Rochester, by his Will, dated 1st February 1778, and proved at London 5th October 1792, bequeathed to the mayor, aldermen and recorder of the city of Rochester for the time being, 300*l*. stock of Four per Cent. Annuities, upon trust, to pay the dividends thereof to the 12 poor women of St. Catherine's Hospital, in augmentation of their stipends.

This fund is now 332*l*. 8*s*. 2*d*. stock of Three-and-a-half per Cent. Reduced Annuities: 11*l*. 12*s*. 8*d*.

**Gunsley's Charity.**—Robert Gunsley, clerk, by his Will, dated 30th June 1618, devised the rectory or parsonage of Broadhempston, in the county of Devon, and the lands, tithes and commodities thereunto belonging, to George Holman and his heirs, upon trust, to convey the same in such manner as counsel should devise, for the relief and comfort of the poor people inhabiting in the parishes of Maidstone and Rochester, in Kent; viz. that the rents and profits of the said premises should be bestowed on said poor people yearly, one half to the poor people of Maidstone, and one half to the poor people of Rochester, to be bestowed in bread every Sabbath day to feed them, and in clothes to cover them.

A License of Mortmain, dated 20th July, 8 James I., was granted to alien the said premises to the mayor and citizens of Rochester, and the mayor, jurats and assistants of Maidstone.

The annual rent of the estate is 112*l*., but is subject to deductions for vicar's stipend, fee-farm rent and land-tax, amounting to 34*l*. 13*s*. 2*d*., leaving net 77*l*. 6*s*. 10*d*., the half of which, belonging to the city of Rochester and applied in the distribution of bread, is 38*l*. 13*s*. 5*d*.

**Head's Charity.**—Sir Richard Head, baronet, by his Will, dated 10th September 1689, devised a messuage, lands and premises in Higham and Chalk, in Kent, to trustees, upon trust, to apply the rents in keeping the premises in repair, and the surplus to be disposed of in bread, weekly, upon Sundays, after evening service in the church of St. Nicholas, Rochester, among such poor inhabitants of the parish of St. Nicholas, Rochester, as the mayor and aldermen of the same city, with the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the same parish, should direct, by 2*s*. per week in such bread, and the overplus, if any, to be divided amongst four of the oldest poor men and four of the oldest poor women of the same parish, at the discretion of the said mayor, aldermen, churchwardens and overseers, or such of them as shall be present on Christmas-day, after evening service in the church aforesaid. The whole income of the estate is disposed of in bread.

The annual rent is now 10*l*.

**Brooker's Charity.**—Arthur Brooker, by his Will, dated 25th May 1675, devised to the mayor and citizens of Rochester, an annuity of 4*l*., to be issuing out of a farm in Allhallows, in the hundred of Hoo, in Kent, in trust, to cause a funeral sermon to be preached in the church of St. Nicholas, Rochester, yearly, and pay the minister 20*s*. for the same, and the remaining 3*l*. of the said annuity to be distributed in bread to the poor of St. Nicholas, Rochester: 4*l*.

**Brooke's Charity.**—By Indenture, dated 28th September 1697, the mayor and citizens, in consideration of 50*l*. contributed by Francis Brooke towards the erection of a new prison, granted to trustees an annuity of 4*l*., payable out of their estates, to be distributed in sums not exceeding 5*s*., among poor persons in the city, and which is annually distributed accordingly: 4*l*.

**Hayward's Charity.**—By Indenture, dated 29th September 1726, John Francis Buller, esquire, trustee of charity estates, formerly Sir John Hayward's, confirms a settlement made by Francis Barrell, esquire, the former trustee of the said estates, of 500*l*. South Sea Stock and 500*l*. South Sea Annuity Stock, vested in the names of the mayor and citizens of Rochester, upon trust, to apply the dividends thereof in maintaining three charity schools in the parishes of St. Nicholas, Rochester, and Strood.

This fund is now 475*l*. New South Sea Annuities, and 625*l*. Old South Sea Annuities: 33*l*.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Rochester.

Richard Thompson (dead) - Surgeon.	Edward Boys - - - Wine Merchant.
Francis Patten (dead) - Stone-mason.	Thomas Saunders - - Collector of Customs.
William Peter King (dead) - Chemist.	
Charles Thompson - - Surgeon.	Samuel Sidden - - - Builder.
John Burton Matthews (dead) - Coal Merchant.	John Gibbs - - - Solicitor.
Samuel Nicholson - - Gentleman.	Samuel Baker - - - Builder.
Edward Manclark - - Distributor of Stamps.	Charles Bathurst - - Surgeon.
	Archibald Charles Windeyer, Gentleman.

**N. B.**—There are four magistrates of the city assigned by the charter, viz. the mayor, recorder, senior alderman and last mayor.

**D. B. Lewis,** Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF NEW ROMNEY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Thomas Baker*, of New Romney, gentleman, by will dated 8th July 1728, gave unto the mayor, jurats and commonalty of New Romney, and their successors for ever, 20 acres of marsh land, in Ivychurch, in Kent, in trust that the said mayor and jurats should by half-yearly payments, for ever, after his decease, distribute amongst the four poor people for the time being belonging unto and dwelling in Southlands Hospital, in New Romney, the rents and profits thereof.

The land is now let on lease to *Thomas Potten*, at the yearly rent of 50*l.* 5*s.*; and the same is distributed, when received, half-yearly, as directed by the will.

The said *Thomas Baker*, by his said will, also gave unto the said mayor, jurats and commonalty, and their successors for ever, out of an annuity or yearly rent-charge of 11*l.*, payable out of the lands formerly of *Mr. Epps*, in New Romney, Old Romney and Midley, the yearly sum of 5*l.*, in trust that the said mayor and jurats should, on 14th October yearly for ever, after his decease, distribute the same amongst the other poor people of New Romney, in such manner as the said mayor and jurats should think proper.

This sum of 5*l.* is annually distributed by the mayor and jurats; and at the last distribution, on 14th October 1832, 40 poor people participated therein.

There is another charity, founded by *John Southland*, gentleman, over which the mayor of New Romney has control; but to this extent only, that on the removal or avoidance of any governor (the appointment of whom is in the gift of the bailiff of Romney Marsh), the mayor is to receive the rents of the estates belonging to the charity, and perform all payments, until a new governor be appointed, to whom he is to account for the same; and one of the three keys belonging to the chest in which the deed of endowment is deposited, is to be kept by the mayor of New Romney for the time being.

## OTHER PROPERTY.

A messuage and buildings, and 16 A. 2 R. 14 P. of land in the parish of Brenzett, in the occupation of *James Bourne*.

1 R. 22 P. of land, in Brenzett, in the occupation of *George Austen*.

16 P. of land, in Brenzett, in the occupation of *Henry Smith*.

1 R. 16 P. of land, in Brenzett, in the occupation of *William Sutton*.

A messuage and buildings, and 11 A. 1 R. 19 P. of land, in the parishes of Ivychurch and New Romney, in the occupation of *Edward Baker*.

A messuage and buildings, and 10 A. 1 R. 29 P. of land, in the parish of Old Romney, in the occupation of *Richard Hardiman*.

4 A. 2 R. 4 P. of land, in Old Romney, in the occupation of *Aquila Bates*.

A messuage and buildings, and 15 A. 3 R. 1 P. of land, in Old Romney and New Romney, in the occupation of *Richard Hunt*.

The land was acquired by grant from *Queen Elizabeth*, by letters patent, in the fifth year of her reign (1563), and the buildings are supposed to have been erected at the charge of the corporation.

A messuage and buildings, 13 A. 1 R. 20 P. of pasture land, and 105 A. 0 R. 24 P. of sand banks and rough land, in the parish of New Romney, in the occupation of *Odiarne Coates*.

86 A. 1 R. 24 P. of pasture land, and 116 A. 2 R. of sand banks and rough land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *William Coates*.

42 A. 3 R. 20 P. of pasture land, and 139 A. 3 R. 32 P. of salts, sand banks and rough land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *Edward Robert Wightwick*.

Acquired partly by the like grant from *Queen Elizabeth*, and partly by purchase.

7 A. 1 R. 30 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *Thomas Cobb*.

11 A. 1 R. 25 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *Edward Russell*.

6 A. 2 R. 6 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *John Russell*.

15 A. 2 R. 34 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *Bachelor Walker*.

4 A. 3 R. 29 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *John Walker*.

14 A. 2 R. 10 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *Henry Bachelor Walker*.

9 A. 3 R. 3 P. of pasture land, in New Romney, in the occupation of *Norman Wightwick*.

Market-place, with court-hall, &c. over the same (recently erected), and gaol and premises adjoining.

Building used for holding the assemblies of the corporation, called the Common-place.

Acquired partly by purchase, and partly unknown.

Fee farm and small rents, annual amount, 10*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

Acquired by the like grant from *Queen Elizabeth*, and the charters to the Cinque Ports.

As to the purposes for which the property, other than the charitable funds, was given, and the mode in which it is now distributed and applied, the letters patent of *Queen Elizabeth*, before referred to, after (for the better government of the said town and port) incorporating the jurats and commonalty by the name of mayor, jurats and commonalty, and prescribing the mode of their election, grants the estates therein specified unto the said mayor, jurats and commonalty, and their successors, for ever. The rents and annual proceeds, as well of the same as of the purchased estates, have been applied for the like purposes as a town rate (none having been levied) would be applicable to, and in discharge of the interest on the monies which the corporation have from time to time of necessity taken up for building the present court-hall, and other corporate purposes, and of which a considerable amount is now due.



CORPORATE OFFICERS—*New Romney.*

Benjamin Cobb - - - - - Grazier.  
 William Wightwick - - - - - Grazier (deceased).  
 John Walter - - - - - Surgeon (deceased).  
 William Coates - - - - - Grazier (deceased).  
 Bachelor Walker - - - - - Grazier.  
 John Walker - - - - - Grazier.  
 Smith Cobb - - - - - { A Commander in  
                                   the Royal Navy,  
                                   H. P. (deceased).

William Wightwick - - - - - Grazier (deceased).  
 Cholmeley Dering - - - - - Esquire.  
 Humphrey Wightwick - - - - - Gentleman.  
 Benjamin Cobb the younger, Gentleman.  
 John Wightwick - - - - - Grazier.  
 John Russell - - - - - Grazier.  
 Odiarne Coates - - - - - Grazier.  
 Norman Wightwick - - - - - { A Captain in the  
                                   Army, H. P.

19 February 1833.

*William Stringer, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF ROMSEY INFRA, HANTS.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS.

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	Corporate Offices.
1813 Thomas Hall - - -	Brewer - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
Henry Holmes - - -	Attorney-at-law - - -	Late Mayor.
John Bartlett - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen, and Magistrates during office.
Joseph Mortimer - - -	Gentleman - - -	
Richard Holmes - - -	Attorney-at-law - - -	
1814 James Aldridge - - -	Gentleman - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
Thomas Hall - - -	Brewer - - -	Late Mayor.
John Bartlett - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen.
Joseph Mortimer - - -	Gentleman - - -	
Richard Holmes - - -	Attorney-at-law - - -	
1815 William Henry Lintott - - -	Merchant - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
James Aldridge - - -	Gentleman - - -	Late Mayor.
John Bartlett - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen.
Joseph Mortimer - - -	Gentleman - - -	
Richard Holmes - - -	Attorney at-law - - -	
1816 Charles John Hall - - -	Brewer - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
William Henry Lintott - - -	Merchant - - -	Late Mayor.
John Bartlett - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen.
Richard Holmes - - -	Attorney-at-law - - -	
William Price - - -	Gentleman - - -	
1817 Samuel Sharp - - -	Gentleman - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
Charles John Hall - - -	Brewer - - -	Late Mayor.
John Bartlett - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen.
William Price - - -	Gentleman - - -	
Joseph S. Hollis - - -	Stationer - - -	
1818 Thomas Coleman - - -	Surgeon - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
Samuel Sharp - - -	Gentleman - - -	Late Mayor.
William Price - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen.
Joseph S. Hollis - - -	Stationer - - -	
John Latham - - -	Brewer - - -	
1819 Robert Godfrey Longcroft - - -	Brewer - - -	Mayor.
Richard William Missing - - -	Barrister-at-law - - -	Recorder.
Thomas Coleman - - -	Surgeon - - -	Late Mayor.
Joseph S. Hollis - - -	Gentleman - - -	} Three senior Aldermen.
John Latham - - -	Brewer - - -	
William C. Daman - - -	Attorney-at-law - - -	

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	Corporate Offices.
<b>1820</b> Benjamin Sharp - - - Richard William Missing - - - Robert G. Longcroft - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - John Latham - - - William C. Daman - - -	Draper - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Brewer - - - Gentleman - - - Brewer - - - Attorney-at-law - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1821</b> James Aldridge - - - Richard William Missing - - - Benjamin Sharp - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - John Latham - - - William C. Daman - - -	Gentleman - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Draper - - - Gentleman - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1822</b> William H. Lintott - - - Richard William Missing - - - James Aldridge - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - John Latham - - - William C. Daman - - -	Merchant - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Gentleman - - - Gentleman - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1823</b> Charles John Hall - - - Richard William Missing - - - William Henry Lintott - - - Joseph Samuel Hollis - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - -	Brewer - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Merchant - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Surgeon - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1824</b> Samuel Sharp - - - Richard William Missing - - - Charles John Hall - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - -	Gentleman - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Brewer - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Surgeon - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1825</b> James C. Sharp - - - Richard William Missing - - - Samuel Sharp - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - -	Attorney-at-law - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Gentleman - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Gentleman - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1826</b> Godwin Withers - - - Richard William Missing - - - James C. Sharp - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - -	Draper - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Gentleman - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1827</b> Moses Pepper - - - Richard William Missing - - - Godwin Withers - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - -	Draper - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Draper - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Gentleman - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1828</b> Richard Sweeper - - - Richard William Missing - - - Moses Pepper - - - Joseph S. Hollis - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - -	Silversmith - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Draper - - - Gentleman - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Gentleman - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
<b>1829</b> James Aldridge - - - Richard William Missing - - - Richard Sweeper - - - William C. Daman - - - Thomas Coleman - - - John Young - - -	Gentleman - - - Barrister-at-law - - - Silversmith - - - Attorney-at-law - - - Gentleman - - - Auctioneer - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.
John Reynolds Beddome - - - John Ingram Lockhart - - - James Aldridge - - - Thomas Coleman - - - John Young - - - William C. Daman - - -	Surgeon - - - Esquire - - - Gentleman - - - Gentleman - - - Auctioneer - - - Attorney-at-law - - -	Mayor. Recorder. Late Mayor. } Three senior Aldermen.

NAMES.		Professions and Trades.	Corporate Offices.
1831	William Henry Lintott - -	Merchant - - - -	Mayor.
	John Ingram Lockhart - -	Esquire - - - -	Recorder.
	John Reynolds Boddome - -	Surgeon - - - -	Late Mayor.
	William C. Daman - -	Attorney-at law - -	Three senior Aldermen.
	Thomas Coleman - -	Gentleman - - - -	
	John Young - -	Auctioneer - - - -	
1832	Josiah George - - -	Grocer - - - -	Mayor.
	John Ingram Lockhart - -	Esquire - - - -	Recorder.
	William C. Daman - -	Attorney-at-law - -	Three senior Aldermen.
	Thomas Coleman - -	Gentleman - - - -	
	John Young - -	Auctioneer - - - -	
1833	Henry Hall - - -	Gentleman - - - -	Mayor.
	John J. Wastie (late Lockhart)	Esquire - - - -	Recorder.
	Josiah George - - -	Grocer - - - -	Late Mayor.
	William C. Daman - -	Attorney-at-law - -	Three senior Aldermen.
	Thomas Coleman - -	Gentleman - - - -	
	John Young - -	Auctioneer - - - -	

Henry Holmes,

14 February 1833.

Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF RYE.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1550.—*Alexander Welles* gave by deed to the mayor, jurats and commonalty a small spot of waste ground without Land-gate, upon trust to build an almshouse thereon, for the use of poor sick, aged and infirm persons of the said town, to be nominated and placed in such almshouse for ever, by the mayor and jurats of the said town.

The original almshouse having fallen into decay, two dwellings were erected on its site, which have been since appropriated to the reception of aged and infirm widows, or other decayed inhabitants of the town.

1644.—*Thomas Peacocke*, by his will, founded a free grammar-school in the town of Rye, for the support of which, the school-house, with the yard, garden and appurtenances situate in the Longer-street, a yearly rent-charge of 32*l.* issuing out of certain lands, called Uplands, Cliff-lands, Rye-marshes, Gateborough and Cadborough, situate in the parishes of Rye and Udimore, or one of them, in the county of Sussex, containing by estimation 56 acres or thereabouts, and the principal sum of 50*l.*, were vested in feoffees, in trust for the mayor, jurats and town council of Rye, whom he appointed governors and trustees of such school.

The master of this school is allowed the use of the school-house and garden, and receives as a salary the rent-charge of 32*l.*, and 2*l.* 10*s.*, the interest of the 50*l.*, which was lent many years since to the feoffees of Saunders' Charity. (*Vide post.*)

1708.—*James Saunders*, by his will, founded a free-school in the town of Rye, for the instruction of poor children of the town and parish of Rye in reading, writing, accounts and navigation: for the support whereof, a farm and lands, called the School Farm, situate in the parish of Udimore, in the county of Sussex (containing 50 A. 1 R. 14 P.), and a drowned rent of 7*l.* 10*s.*, payable by the commissioners of the Upper Levels, were vested in feoffees, in trust for the mayor, jurats and town council of Rye, whom he appointed governors and trustees of such school.

The master of this school receives as a salary the net balance of rent of the farm and the whole drowned rent, after deducting 2*l.* 10*s.* for interest due to Peacocke's Charity, 7*l.*, interest of 140*l.* due on mortgage of the estate, and 30*l.* retained by decree of the Court of Chancery, made in 1810, for the gradual discharge of the costs of a suit instituted in 1810 against the trustees by His Majesty's attorney-general.

1721.—*John Bradley* gave 5*l.* in money to the corporation, upon condition that they should pay 5*s.* yearly to the minister and churchwardens, to be by them distributed in bread to the poor.

1729.—*Edward Wilson* gave the like sum, upon the same conditions.

1769.—*Margaret Horsefield*, of Rye, widow, gave to the mayor, jurats and commonalty 100*l.*, upon condition that they should yearly distribute the interest thereof, at 4*l.* per cent, unto 16 industrious poor inhabitants of the town of Rye, who did not receive relief from the parish of Rye, giving the preference to widows.

All the above-mentioned foundations and charities are now in force, and are distributed and applied according to the directions and intentions of the founders and donors.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Rye*.

Thomas Philipps Lamb	-	-	Esquire.	Richard Hay	-	-	-	Esquire.
Nathaniel Procter	-	-	Esquire.	Richard Weeden Butler	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Thomas Davis Lamb	-	-	Esquire.	Thomas Harrison	-	-	-	Woolstapler.
William Watson	-	-	Esquire.	Daniel Gill	-	-	-	Banker.
George Augustus Lamb	-	-	Doctor of Div.	Edward Chatterton	-	-	-	Merchant.
William Phillips Lamb	-	-	Esquire.	John Haddock Lardner	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Daniel Slade	-	-	Esquire.	Charles Pilcher	-	-	-	Merchant.
John Myers	-	-	Clerk.	Richard Curteis Pomfret	-	-	-	Solicitor.
William Dodson	-	-	Clerk.	James Smith	-	-	-	Merchant.
John Dodson, Esquire	-	-	Doctor of Civil Law.	William Pitt Lamb	-	-	-	Esquire.
				William Ramsden	-	-	-	Surgeon.

14 February 1833.

Thomas Procter, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF SAFFRON WALDEN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Mayor and Aldermen of this place are trustees, by virtue of their charter, of a farm, lands and houses belonging to an almshouse in this place, the annual rents of which amount to about from 700*l.* to 800*l.* per annum, according to the times.

This property was given for the support of an almshouse in this town, and as many decayed tradespeople, male and female, as could be conveniently accommodated.

*Elizabeth Erswell*, of the parish of St. Faith's, London, widow, by will dated 14th October 1653, gave certain leasehold messuages, lands and tenements in Saffron Walden, unto the baylys, wardens and burgesses or governors of the corporation of the town of Saffron Walden aforesaid, by what name, title or addition soever they are incorporated or usually called, known or distinguished, and to their successors for the time being, upon trust to distribute the rents to such poor men and women of the said town as they should think fit, in manner following; viz. to each and every of such poor men and women, 40*s.* per annum, as far as said rents would extend, by half-yearly payments, on the 1st May and 1st November in every year, provided that such poor men and women that should be so appointed to receive the same were not common swearers, drunkards or adulterers, nor lived scandalously in their conversation.

*Thomas Turner*, mercer, by his will dated 10th June 1623, directed his executors to purchase lands and tenements, of the yearly value of 20*l.*, lying within four miles of Walden, for the uses after expressed; viz.

Twenty shillings, part of the rents, to be bestowed yearly, upon the Saturday or market-day next before Christmas-day, for the increase of diet, and for the poor people in the almshouse in Walden on Christmas-day.

Other 20*s.*, part thereof, to be bestowed yearly upon a preacher, for a memorial sermon to be preached upon the day whereon he should be buried.

Thirty-three shillings and four-pence, other part thereof, yearly upon such persons as should ring the bells of the church of Saffron Walden on that day.

Six shillings and eight-pence, other part thereof, yearly, on the same day, to the parish clerk of Saffron Walden aforesaid for the time being.

Five dozen of penny bread weekly, every Sunday, after Divine Service ended, upon the poor people of Saffron Walden.

Residue of 20*l.* yearly, in cloth to such poor people of Walden aforesaid, as to the distributors should be thought fit.

And the said testator desired the treasurer and chamberlains of Saffron Walden for the time being, for ever after to see the performance of this in payment and distribution of said 20*l.* yearly, according to the intent of his said will.

*Jane Sparrow*, widow, and *Joseph Sparrow*, son of Joseph Sparrow, by deed 16th March 1705, gave a house and barn in Church-street, Saffron Walden, the rents to be distributed to the poor inhabitants, of honest life and over-burthened with children, or meeting with accidents in the world, in such way as the mayor and aldermen should think fit.

The mayor and aldermen are also trustees, by virtue of their charter, of a house and meadow, now let for 20*l.*; a close of arable land, now let for 13*l.*; and a rent-charge of 12*l.* per annum, which they are directed to apply towards the support of a grammar-school.

All these charities are regularly distributed.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Saffron Walden*.

The Right Hon. Richard Aldworth Griffin,				Charles Fiske	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Lord Braybrooke.				Samuel Fiske	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Henry Archer	-	-	Maltster.	The Right Hon. Richard Griffin,				
Richard Burrows	-	-	Gentleman.	Lord Braybrooke.				
John Letch Martin	-	-	Esquire.	Nathaniel Catlin	-	-	Maltster.	
Thomas Smith	-	-	Tanner.	Thomas Archer Catlin	-	-	Maltster.	
Charles Fiske	-	-	Surgeon.	John Archer	-	-	Maltster.	
Joseph Collin	-	-	Esquire.	Thomas Smith	-	-	Tanner.	
Samuel Fiske	-	-	Surgeon.	Samuel Fiske	-	-	Surgeon.	
Thomas Archer Catlin	-	-	Maltster.	Charles Teissier Master	-	-	Solicitor.	
Stephen Robinson	-	-	Maltster.	Henry Burrows	-	-	Chemist.	
John Archer	-	-	Maltster.	Charles Barnes Wilkins	-	-	Currier.	
Thomas Smith	-	-	Tanner.					

15 February 1833.

Charles T. Master, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF NEW SARUM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITIES.	FUNDS.	HOW ACQUIRED.	Purposes for which Given.	Mode of Application.
Trinity Hospital	- 25 houses let on leases, subject to fine on renewal.	- founded about the year 1379, and supported by sundry charitable bequests hereinafter mentioned.	- for the support of 12 poor men.	- annual quit-rents about 81 l.; to 12 poor men inmates of the hospital.
Brickett's Hospital	- a garden; Bank stock, 755 l. 4 s. 9 ½ d.	- founded by Thomas Brickett, 1534.	- support of six poor women.	- annual rent 4 l. 4 s. and dividends; to six poor women of the foundation. In payment to the master.
Free School	- stipend from the Exchequer, 24 l. 3 s. 4 d.	- founded by Queen Elizabeth, 1540.	Education	-
Sir Thomas White's	400 l.	- by will of Sir Thomas White, 1570.	- loans of 25 l. each for 10 years, without interest, to young tradesmen.	- to young tradesmen, 25 l. each.
Pople's	- nine houses in Basinghall-street, London.	Joan Pople's will, 1578	- for the relief of the poor of the city.	- rents about 341 l. 10 s., applied to the relief of aged and infirm poor. In like manner.
Wootton's	- Per annum, 4 l.	- Dorothy Wootton's will, 1608.	The like	-
Rhoades	- Per annum, 2 l. 2 s.	- Thomas Rhoades's will, 1611.	- to 40 poor persons on Good Friday, 1 s. each.	As directed.
Eyre's Hospital	- Consols, 240 l.	Christopher Eyre, 1617	- to six poor men and their wives.	As directed.
Eyre's Lecture	- Corporation general fund.	Christopher Eyre, 1617	- a weekly lecture or sermon in the church.	- 26 l. 8 s. to the lecturer per annum.
Mervin's	- ditto, 100 l.	George Mervin, 1661	- to the poor of the city.	- 4 l. 10 s. annually, as directed.
Duke of Somerset's	- an estate, called Laverstock Farm, in Dorsetshire.	- will of John, Duke of Somerset, 1674.	- apprenticing children of the city.	- rent 105 l. per annum, as directed.
Chiffinch's	- Rent-charge of 7 l. 3 s. 10 d.	Will <sup>m</sup> Chiffinch, 1673	- to the poor of Trinity Hospital.	As directed.
Willoughby's	- Corporation general fund.	- will of Christopher Willoughby, 1674.	- 16 l. to poor of East Knoyle, and 4 l. to poor of the city, annually.	- dividends on 400 l. 3 per cents. annually, as directed.
Viner's	- ditto	- will of Mr. Viner, 1677.	- clothing for five poor persons.	- dividends on 50 l. annually, as directed.
Gardiner's	- ditto	- will of Tho <sup>s</sup> Gardiner, 1684.	- placing out apprentices.	- dividends on 400 l. annually, as directed.
Coles's	- ditto	- will of Mr. Coles, 1673.	- clothing for 10 poor men annually.	- dividends on 100 l. annually, as directed.
Taylor's Hospital	- Rent-charge of 32 l. 8 s.	- will of Thomas Taylor, 1695.	- for six poor men in the hospital.	As directed.
Fricker's Charity	- ditto, 3 l.	- will of John Fricker, 1699.	Poor of the city	Trinity Hospital.
Swanton's	- a meadow at Clatford, Hants.	- will of Fran <sup>s</sup> Swanton, 1715.	- poor of Trinity and Taylor's Hospitals.	21 l. annually, as directed.
Gauntlett's	- Corporation general fund.	John Gauntlett, 1721	Poor of the city	- dividends on 100 l. annually, as directed.
Best's Charity	- Rent-charge of 7 l. 16 s.	- will of Matthew Best, 1733.	- to the poor of Taylor's Hospital.	As directed.
Titchbourne's	- ditto, 8 l. 8 s.	Unknown	Poor of Trinity Hosp <sup>l</sup>	-
Powell's	- 50 l. 3 per cent. Red. Bank Annuities.	John Powell, 1759	Poor of the city	- dividends annually paid to the churchwardens of St. Edmund's parish.
Powell's	- 50 l.	Sir Alex. Powell, 1785	- ditto	- dividends annually to the poor of Trinity Hosp <sup>l</sup> .
Hussey's Hospital	- 3,245 l. 3 per cent. Consols. 13 almshouses 4 other houses	- William Hussey, 1794	- ditto	- annual dividends to the poor.
Baker's	- 549 l. 13 s. 3 d. Stock	Edward Baker, 1796	- rents to be laid out in repairs of the others.	Occupied by the poor. As directed.
Cooper's	- 400 l. Old South Sea Annuities.	Robert Cooper, 1830	- interest to poor of Eyre's Almshouse.	- one-third to Trinity, two-thirds to churchwardens and overseers of St. Martin.
Ghost's	- 107 l. 18 s. 11 d. 3 per cent. Reduced.	William Ghost, 1831	- dividends to the poor of Trinity Hosp <sup>l</sup> .	- annual dividends, as directed.
Bee's	- House and land	Thomas Bee, 1548	- rents of 19 successive years in clothing to the poor, and the 20th in repairs of St. Thomas's Church.	- ditto.

## OTHER PROPERTY.

Houses and lands producing an income of 200*l.* - Annual rents and fines appropriated to the per annum, let on leases for terms of 40 and 30 years, renewable on payment of a fine - payment of sundry charities, to the repairs of almshouses, and other expenses incidental to the management of the several charitable funds.  
*£* 455. 3*s.* 6*d.* three per cent. Consols -

*Guildhall or Council House*, erected for the use of the mayor and commonalty of the city, in the exercise of their corporate functions, in the maintenance of municipal order and authority, and in the administration of public justice, by Jacob, Earl of Radnor, late recorder of the city.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*New Sarum.*

The Right Hon. William, Earl of Radnor, Recorder.

Henry Hinxman	- Gentleman.	William Andrews	- Surgeon.
Michael Burrough	- Gentleman.	William Henry Tinney	Barrister-at-Law, Deputy Recorder.
William Boucher	- Solicitor.	John Pinckney	- Linen Draper.
Joseph Tanner	- Solicitor.	George Atkinson	- Wine Merchant.
Edward Stevens	- Woollen Draper.	John Sparshatt	- Linen Draper.
James Sutton	- Clothier.	George Pain	- Brewer.
Samuel Emly	- Brewer.	James Bennett	- Silversmith.
John Pern Tinney	- Solicitor.	Edward Davies	- Solicitor (since resigned.)
William Ghost	- Clothier.	Charles George Brodie	Wine Merchant.
William Bird Brodie	- Banker and Stationer.		
Joseph Everett	- Banker.		

*N. B.*—The above list does not include the several persons who were elected to the office of mayor and are by the charter made justices of the peace for two years.

21 February 1833.

*Matthew Thomas Hodding*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF SALTASH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*John Langon*, anciently of the borough of Plymouth, bequeathed to the poor of Saltash, 40*s.* annually, to be distributed in bread, at Christmas, out of a rent-charge on land, now in the possession and the property of Messrs. Scott, of Plymouth, brewers, which sum of 40*s.* is annually received, and given in bread to the poor people, such poor not having parish relief.

*Robert Rawling*, anciently of the borough of Plymouth, bequeathed to the poor of Saltash, 10*s.* annually, at Christmas, which is paid by the justice of the peace of the borough of Plymouth for the time being, to the mayor of Saltash, and is by the magistrates distributed, about Christmas, to the poor, such poor not having parish relief.

Sir *John Carew*, anciently of Antony, in the county of Cornwall, his legacy of 100*l.*, together with accumulated interest thereon 172*l.* 5*s.*, which is secured by a deed-poll of the Saltash turnpike, bearing date January 1766, and produces yearly 7*l.* 13*s.*, annually distributed, about Christmas, to the poor, by the magistrates, such poor not having parish relief.

There is no other charitable fund or property in the possession, order, or disposition of the Corporation of the borough of Saltash.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Saltash.*

John Buller, Esq., of no Profession or Trade.  
 James Buller, Esq., - ditto - - ditto.  
 Sir Antony Buller, Knt., ditto - - ditto.  
 Recorder (served the office by deputy.)  
 John Evans, Gent., of no Profession or Trade.  
 Nicholas Bennett, Gent., ditto - - ditto.  
 Deputy Recorder.

15 February 1833.

*John Evans*, Mayor.

## CORPORATION OF SANDWICH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The Mayor, Jurats and Commonalty	- -	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Corporation Estates.</li> <li>2. Sandwich Bridge.</li> </ol>
The Mayor and Jurats	- - - - -	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. St. Bartholomew's Hospital.</li> <li>2. St. John's Hospital.</li> <li>3. Sir Roger Manwood's Free Grammar School.</li> <li>4. Sir Henry Furnese's Charity.</li> <li>5. Mr. David Turner's Charity.</li> <li>6. Sandwich Harbour.</li> <li>7. Sandwich Gaol.</li> <li>8. Sandwich Liberty Rate.</li> </ol>

FUNDS.	HOW ACQUIRED.	Purposes for which same were Given.	Present mode of Distribution and Application.																					
<p><b>THE CORPORATION ESTATES:</b></p> <p>Rents of several pieces of land, houses, and other premises situate in the parishes of St. Clement, St. Peter the Apostle, and St. Mary the Virgin, in Sandwich</p> <table><tr><td>£.</td><td>s.</td><td>d.</td></tr><tr><td>-</td><td>237</td><td>15 4</td></tr><tr><td>Quit-rents</td><td>-</td><td>8 19 9</td></tr><tr><td>Halfcattlemarket tolls</td><td>5</td><td>5 -</td></tr><tr><td>Half fair tolls</td><td>-</td><td>1 6 6</td></tr><tr><td>Mast money</td><td>-</td><td>3 6 8</td></tr><tr><td>£.</td><td>256</td><td>13 3</td></tr></table>	£.	s.	d.	-	237	15 4	Quit-rents	-	8 19 9	Halfcattlemarket tolls	5	5 -	Half fair tolls	-	1 6 6	Mast money	-	3 6 8	£.	256	13 3	<p>-- Unknown; but the corporation have been in receipt from time immemorial.</p>	<p>- - - - -</p>	<p>-- These funds are applied in payment of the salaries of the several officers of the corporation, the repairs and insurance of the buildings, landlord's rates and taxes, advertisements, printing, stationery and books, interest of money borrowed for rebuilding part of the Guildhall, law and other expenses.</p>
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<p><b>SANDWICH BRIDGE:</b></p> <p>Rent of the tolls and duties payable for passing over the bridge</p> <table><tr><td>£.</td><td>451.</td></tr></table>	£.	451.	<p>-- By an Act of Parliament passed in the 28th year of the reign of King George the 2d, intituled "An Act for building a Bridge over the Water or Haven between the Town of Sandwich and the opposite shore, in the county of Kent."</p> <p>settled on the hospital of St. Bartholomew's, near Sandwich, as a compensation for an annuity of 62<i>l.</i> per annum, created by the said Act of Parliament, and payable to the master, brothers and sisters thereof, in lieu of the profits of the ferry way formerly existing over the haven; and, 3dly, in any public works for the advantage of the said town of Sandwich, in such manner as the mayor, jurats and commonalty assembled in common assembly shall think proper.</p>	<p>-- For repairing, maintaining and supporting the bridge, and all necessary expenses of putting the said Act in execution; and the surplus monies to be applied, 1st, in providing a perpetual fund of 400 <i>l.</i> for rebuilding the bridge in case it should be destroyed or damaged; 2dly, in the purchase of lands to be</p>	<p>-- In repairing, maintaining and supporting the bridge; and the surplus monies in public works for the advantage of the town, conformably to the Act of Parliament.</p>																			
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<p><b>ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL:</b></p> <p>Rent of the hospital farm, containing about 279 acres of land</p> <table><tr><td>£.</td><td>s.</td><td>d.</td></tr><tr><td>-</td><td>600</td><td>- -</td></tr></table> <p>Rents of several pieces of land containing about nine acres, houses and other premises</p> <table><tr><td>£.</td><td>s.</td><td>d.</td></tr><tr><td>-</td><td>60</td><td>15 -</td></tr><tr><td>Quit-rents</td><td>-</td><td>1 17 6</td></tr></table> <p>Rent of a messuage and 43 acres of land in the parish of Ash-next-Sandwich, in the county of Kent</p> <table><tr><td>£.</td><td>102</td><td>- -</td></tr><tr><td>£.</td><td>764</td><td>12 6</td></tr></table>	£.	s.	d.	-	600	- -	£.	s.	d.	-	60	15 -	Quit-rents	-	1 17 6	£.	102	- -	£.	764	12 6	<p>Supposed to have been the benefactions of private persons, but it is impossible at this time to say when or by whom the establishment was first begun.</p> <p>-- Purchased by the mayor, jurats and commonalty of Sandwich, in conformity to the directions of the Act of 28th Geo. 2, c. 2, before mentioned, and settled on the hospital in the year 1775, in lieu of and as a full compensation for a certain annuity of 62<i>l.</i> per annum granted by the said Act to this hospital in lieu of the profits of a passage or ferry over the water between Sandwich and the opposite shore, granted to them by King Edward the 3d.</p> <p>-- Purchased by the master, brothers and sisters in the year 1820 out of the surplus revenues of the hospital.</p>	<p>-- Charitable purposes; but in what particular manner the funds were originally intended to be distributed and applied, it is impossible at this time to state.</p>	<p>-- The repairs and insurance of the buildings, landlord's rates and taxes and quit-rents, officers' salaries, and law and other expenses; and the surplus, reserving a sufficient sum to meet extraordinary repairs and expenses, is applied in payment of a yearly stipend of 36<i>l.</i> to each of the 16 brothers and sisters of the hospital; the vacancies among whom are filled up by the mayor of Sandwich for the time being, according to the established practice during the last two centuries.</p>
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FUNDS.	HOW ACQUIRED.	Purposes for which same were Given.	Present mode of Distribution and Application.
<b>ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL:</b>			
Rents of several houses and premises in Sandwich - - - 72 5	} Cannot state - - -	-- There is no account of the first foundation of this hospital.	-- The repairs and insurance of the buildings, landlord's rates, taxes and quit-rents, master's salary, law and other expenses; and the surplus (reserving a sufficient sum to meet extraordinary repairs and expenses) is applied in payment of a yearly stipend of 19l. 8s. to each of the six brothers and sisters of the hospital; the vacancies among whom are filled up by the mayor for the time being, according to the established practice from time immemorial.
Quit-rents - - - 2 8 6			
Dividends of 240l. 3 per cent. Consols. - 7 4	-- John Dekewer, esquire, bequeathed 200l. sterling to the hospital, which was afterwards invested in the funds.  Mr. Richard Tattasell bequeathed 100l. 3 per cent. Consols to the hospital.  Part of the former stock has been sold out to assist in paying off the mortgage after mentioned, and the stock now remaining is the balance.	-- To the mayor and jurats in trust for the brothers and sisters of the hospital, and for their use.  -- To the patrons, governors & visitors of the hospital (the mayor and jurats), upon trust to receive the dividends; and on the 17th of April (the testator's birth-day) in every year to distribute the same in bread, clothes, coals or money to the master, brothers and sisters of the hospital, in such manner as the mayor and jurats should think proper.	
Rent of 13A. 2R. 24P. of land in the parish of Sholden - - - 46 - -	-- Purchased by the master, brothers and sisters in 1813 for 1,150l. The purchase-money was raised by the sale of one of the houses in Sandwich, by money borrowed on mortgage, and money sold out of the funds, and by donations of 20l. each (amounting altogether to 520l.) received from the jurats of Sandwich on their election to that office; by similar donations the mortgage money has been repaid, with the exception of 105l.		
<b>£. 127 17 6</b>			
<b>SIR ROGER MANWOOD'S FREE GRAMMAR SCHOOL:</b>			
House occupied by the master. A rent of 20l. per annum issuing out of 90 acres of land in the parishes of Hackington and Northgate, in the county of Kent - 20 - -	-- By deed of feoffment, dated 20th February 1566, Roger Manwood (afterwards Sir Roger Manwood) conveyed the site of the Free School-house and 90 acres of land in Hackington and Northgate to the mayor and jurats of Sandwich as governors of his free grammar school there; and the governors obtained possession by livery of seisin in March following. Sir Roger during his life took the rents and paid the master's salary of 20l. per annum. After his death, in consequence of the non-payment of the salary by Sir John Manwood, the governors sued out a commission, and the commissioners decreed that the governors should enter into the several estates, and take the rents, and hold the same for ever, according to the intent of the said feoffment. Sir John Manwood and Lady Francis Manwood put exceptions into the Court of Chancery against the decree, on the ground that Sir Roger Manwood, before the making of the above feoffment, made a lease of said lands for 500 years, which lease was on 10th January 1571 assigned back to the said Sir Roger, his executors and assigns, who by his will disposed of all his leases in Kent to his heirs for the time being, who should have his house at St. Stephen's. In June 1635 the matter was argued before the Lord Keeper, and that part of the commissioners' decree respecting the possession of the lands was reversed, and it was decreed that Sir John Manwood should hold the lands according to the lease.	-- For the maintenance and sustentation of the school for ever; which appears to have been instituted for the education of an unlimited number of children of the inhabitants of Sandwich in Greek and Latin only.	-- The master receives such portion of the rents as are not applied towards the repairs of the buildings, but there have been no scholars educated on the foundation for some years.
Rent of a piece of land opposite the school-house, called Bay Hall - - - 6 - -	-- Conveyed by the said Sir Roger Manwood to the governors by feoffment 10th Sept. 1570.	The same.	
Rent of a storehouse in the butchery, Sandwich - - - 1 6 - -	-- Conveyed to the governors in 1572 by the surviving executor of the will of Thomas Manwood, deceased, in conformity to the directions in that behalf contained in the same will.	For the better maintenance and sustentation of the school for ever.	
Dividend of 100l. 3 per cent. Consols. - 3 - -	-- Purchased by the governors with the consideration money received for two tenements sold to the commissioners of Sandwich Pavement, and which tenements were also conveyed to the governors pursuant to Thomas Manwood's will.	The same.	
Rent of a garden in St. Clement's, Sandwich - - - 7 5 - -	-- Uncertain, but presumed to be the premises given to the school by the will of Thomas Thompson, a jurat of Sandwich, who died in 1570.	Unknown.	
Rent of the Free School orchard - - - 6 5 - -	Unknown - - - -	Unknown.	
<b>£. 43 16</b>			
	his lifetime for the government of the school, 20l. was to be appropriated for the master's salary, 10l. for that of the usher, and the surplus, if any, after providing for repairs of buildings and other incidental expenses, was to be equally divided between the master and usher. On 30th July 1568, the executors of the will of Mrs. Joan Trapps, of London, conveyed to the rector and scholars of Lincoln College, Oxford, 52 acres of land in Whitstable, Kent, for the finding of four scholars for ever in the said college, of which two to be nominated by the rector, &c. and two by the governors of this school out of the said school.	According to the rules drawn up by Sir Roger Manwood in	No scholars from the Free Grammar school have ever been presented to the scholarships at Lincoln College within the recollection of any of the inhabitants of Sandwich, and it is presumed that this circumstance has arisen from the school here having fallen into disuse, in consequence of the want of power in the mayor and jurats to compel the master to teach the scholars anything more than Greek and Latin.



FUNDS.	HOW ACQUIRED.	Purposes for which same were Given.	Present mode of Distribution and Application.
<b>SIR HENRY FURNESE'S CHARITY :</b>			
Rent of a farm and lands in the parish of Ash-next-Sandwich, called Little Wedding-ton Farm, and containing about 19 acres £. s. d. 62 - -	-- Sir Henry Furnese, of Wal- dershare, in Kent, who died in 1712, bequeathed by his will to the mayor and jurats of Sand- wich, 500 <i>l.</i> to be laid out in the purchase of a freehold estate to be settled on them and their successors; accordingly in 1727 the mayor and jurats purchased the estate at Weddington for 528 <i>l.</i> , which was conveyed to them on 10th May in that year, subject to an annuity of 5 <i>l.</i> a year. The extra sum of 28 <i>l.</i> of the purchase-money was generously given by Sir Robert Furnese, the son and heir of the testator.	-- In trust to dispose of the rents, issues and profits of the same, with the advice of the town-clerk and the churchwar- dens for the time being, upon the 30th May yearly, being Sir Henry Furnese's birth-day, two-fifths to the poor of St. Peter's, and a moiety of the other three-fifths to each of the other two parishes in Sand- wich.	-- Given in bread to the poor of the three parishes in Sandwich, according to the direction of Sir Henry Furnese's will, after pay- ing the annuity of 5 <i>l.</i> per annum, the repairs of the buildings and other usual outgoings.
<b>DAVID TURNER'S CHARITY :</b>			
Rent of a public- house called the Grey- hound, situate in the parish of St. Peter the Apostle, in Sandwich £. s. d. 56 - -	-- These estates were given by Mr. David Turner, an inhabit- ant of Sandwich, to the mayor and jurats, by his will, dated 7th March 1665.	-- In trust to pay and dispose of the rents to such person or persons as the mayor and jurats, or the major part of them (the mayor for the time being always being one) shall think fit and	-- The fund, after payment of the repairs of the buildings and other usual outgoings, is applied agreeably to the trusts of the donor's will; viz. to the master of the charity school in Sand- wich, who instructs six children nominated by the mayor and jurats, over and above those who are nominated by the subscribers to the charity school.
Rent of a piece of ground in Fisher- street, St. Clement, Sandwich - - - 10 - £. 56 10 -	approve of under the seal of office of mayoralty, for a teaching schoolmaster, to teach to write and read English, and be to teach for the same all such poor children, male and female, as to the said mayor and jurats, and their successors, or the greater number of them (the mayor for the time being always being one) shall, under the seal of office of mayoralty, declare and judge fit persons to be taught for nothing, or to have their teaching given them.		
<b>SANDWICH HARBOUR :</b>			
Of the trustees of Ramsgate harb'our the annual sum of - £. s. d. - 200 - -	-- By an Act of Parliament made in the 22d year of the reign of King George 2, intituled "An Act for enlarging and maintaining the Harbour of Ramsgate, and for cleansing, amending and preserving the Haven of Sandwich."	-- For cleansing, scouring and deepthning, preserving and maintaining the haven of Sand- wich.	-- Applied pursuant to the di- rections of the Act of Parlia- ment.
<b>SANDWICH GAOL :</b>			
Half cattle-market tolls - - - 5 5 - Half fair tolls - - - 1 6 6 £. 6 11 6	-- By an Act of Parliament passed in the 10th year of George 4, intituled "An Act for vesting the Appointment to the Office of Bailiff or Verger of the Town and Port of Sandwich in the Mayor and Jurats of the said Town and Port; and for the building and maintaining a new Gaol for the said Town and Port, and its Liberties."	-- Towards the expenses of passing the Act, purchasing a site for, and erecting, furnishing and completing the gaol and house of correction at Sand- wich.	-- Paid to the treasurer of the gaol fund, and applied to the purposes of the Act.
A yearly sum not exceeding 200 <i>l.</i> out of the public rates, stock or funds, in the nature of a county or liberty rate, raised and to be raised within the town and port of Sandwich, and its liberties.	By the above-mentioned Act -	-- Towards the above expenses, for which purpose the mayor and jurats by virtue of the Act borrowed the sum of 2,000 <i>l.</i> on security of this fund.	-- Paid to the treasurer of the gaol fund, and applied in dis- charge of the interest, and also the principal by instalments.
One-third part of the yearly surplus of the tolls and duties payable at Sandwich bridge, esti- mated upon the average yearly amount of such surplus at the five audits immediately pre- ceding; the last sum received on this account amounted to 116 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 8½ <i>d.</i>	By the above-mentioned Act -	-- Towards making good the deficiency in the fund to be raised by virtue of the Gaol Act for the above purposes; and the mayor and jurats were em- powered by the Act to raise such deficiency by mortgaging such portion of the surplus tolls; and the sum of 1,657 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>d.</i> has been borrowed on security of this fund for the purposes of the Act.	-- Paid to the treasurer of the gaol fund, and applied in dis- charging the interest on the money borrowed, and providing a fund for repayment of the prin- cipal money.
<b>SANDWICH LIBERTY RATE :</b>			
A rate on the town and liber- ties, in the nature of a county or liberty rate.	-- By the several Acts of Par- liament passed for the assessing and levying of county and liberty rates.	-- Maintaining the prisoners confined in the gaol, prosecutions and expenses at sessions, officers' salaries, and other usual charges.	-- In discharge of the usual liberty expenses.
Penalties and forfeitures on summary convictions.	-- By the several Acts of Par- liament imposing the penalties.		

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Sandwich.*

NAMES.	PROFESSIONS AND TRADES.
Henry Matson (dead) - - - - -	- - Linen-draper and Banker, and afterwards retired from business.
Augustine Smithers (dead) - - - - -	Grocer, and afterwards retired from business.
Richard Emmerson (dead) - - - - -	Banker.
William Slaughter (dead) - - - - -	Fellmonger and Tanner.
David Taylor - - - - -	- - Upholsterer, afterwards a Farmer, and now retired from business.
William Wyborn Bradly (the present mayor) -	- - Brewer, Wine and Spirit Merchant, and now retired from business.
John Harrison (resigned) - - - - -	Farmer and Woolstapler.
John Maris Cocking (dead) - - - - -	Corn-factor.
John Fowle (dead) - - - - -	Brewer.
Joseph Stewart (dead) - - - - -	- - Esquire (late Secretary at the Sick and Hurt Office.)
Richard Emmerson, jun. - - - - -	Surgeon and Banker.
William Cocking (resigned) - - - - -	Stationer and Bookseller.
Stephen Bradly (displaced, and restored by mandamus).	- - Brewer and Spirit Merchant, and now retired from business.
William Pettman - - - - -	- - Superannuated Comptroller of His Majesty's Customs.
Frederick Pettman (displaced on the restoration of Mr. Stephen Bradly).	Comptroller of His Majesty's Customs.
Richard Harrison - - - - -	Fellmonger and Woolstapler.
Charles Emmerson - - - - -	Grazier and Banker.
Edward Slaughter - - - - -	Grazier, and now retired from business.
Daniel Hodgson - - - - -	Banker.
George Noakes (dead) - - - - -	Solicitor.
William Henry Rolfe - - - - -	Gentleman, farming his own estate.
Valentine Hoile - - - - -	Woollen-draper.
William Robert Ashley Pettman (dead) - -	Captain, R. N.
Slødden Castle, jun. - - - - -	Deputy-assistant Commissary-general.

*John Mourilyan, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF SCARBOROUGH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Grammar School.*

It appears from corporation books, that previous to the year 1648 there existed a charity under the name of the Grammar or Free School, and in the above mentioned year it was removed (in consequence, as supposed, of the demolition of the old school-house during the civil wars) to a part of St. Mary's Church, called Farrer's Ile, which was by order of corporation "to be made fit for a school-house, the money received of the former one to be employed towards the work."

The school has ever since this period been kept in the above place, and called the Church or Grammar School.

The only endowments attached to the charity are the two following:—

*Gregory Fish*, by will, 1640, devised as follows: "I give and bequeath to the Grammar School where it now is or shall be within the liberties of Scarborough, one close, with the appurtenances, lying in Worlington Grove, which I purchased of my brother, Thomas Fish, late in the tenure of Riger Nightgate, to remain to the said school for ever. And my will is, that in consideration of the close so given to the said Grammar School, there shall be four poor scholars continually kept, being of my own kindred or near alliance to me; if none such there be, then to be made choice of by the minister for the time being, or the overseer of the said school, and what remains, to the use of the said school."

The close contains by admeasurement 1 A. 2 R., and is let by the master for his own benefit to James Bailey, at the yearly rent of 6*l*.

The corporation of Scarborough claim the right of appointing the master of the school; and it appears they formerly exercised such right. Of late the appointment by election seems not to have been kept up, and the situation of master has been filled sometimes by the vicar, at other times by the curate or some other person nominated by the vicar, with the acquiescence of the corporation, but without any formal appointment.

The other benefaction to the school consists of a sum of 100*l.* in the hands of the corporation, understood to have been given by *Francis Thompson, Esq.*, who was burgess of the corporation in the year 1692; but there is no evidence to show on what trusts in particular this donation was given, except the minutes relating to it in the corporation books. The following one, which occurs in a book called the Vote Book, under date of 5th July 1757, is the one principally relied on for this purpose.

"Voted, that Mr. Woolfe, the present master of the Grammar School, at Scarborough, shall have paid him by the corporation 5*l.* a year, by two equal half-yearly payments, as the interest of 100*l.* given by Mr. Thompson to the corporation, the interest of which money was to be for the use of such grammar-school, and that such yearly payment be continued to him during the time he shall well and truly execute that office."

Thompson's benefaction of 5*l.* was paid by the corporation, down to the year 1821, to the vicar, and not to Mr. Irvin, the acting master, the corporation believing that they are not bound to bestow it on the master, but may appropriate it to the repairs of the school, or to its use, at their discretion.

The corporation are in possession of certain estates, the rents of which, about 1*l.* annually, are appropriated towards the repairs, &c. of the church, of which this school is part; and the providing of sacramental wine, and other ecclesiastical purposes.

Some amicable arrangements have of late years been entered into between the corporation and the present master of the school, the Rev. Mr. Irvin.

The above statement is made to show the extent of the corporation connection with a management of this charity.

Sir *John Lawson*, who died in 1665, gave 100*l.*, the interest thereof to be paid by the corporation, yearly, on St. Thomas's-day, to the poor of Scarborough, for ever.

This donation, with 40*l.* more given by — *Conyers*, and 20*l.* by *Alice Chambers*, are vested in the corporation at 5*l.* per cent. interest, which is regularly paid out of their funds.

The interest is added to the sacrament money collected at Christmas, and the whole is distributed by the churchwardens, to whom the corporation leave the application of the above funds, amongst the poor of the parish, selected by them and the minister, in small sums, at their discretion.

#### *Sedman's and Magginson's Charities.*

*Thomas Sedman*, in 1714, devised to the bailiffs of Scarborough, for the use of the poor, a house and garth, in Carr Gate, for an hospital for six poor people, and a close, with a piece of ground adjoining the same, called *Bun Causeway Close*, near the Segg Garth, the rent thereof to be paid on the 1st day of May, at the church-door of St. Mary's, to all such poor as frequent the same, except 20*s.*, which he directed to be for the repairs of the hospital, if needful; and if not, then to be paid to the poor of the hospital.

*William Magginson*, in 1697, devised a close or piece of ground, containing 2 A. 2 R. 20 P., called *Glover Pitts*, adjoining the above, the rents thereof to be distributed to the poor of Scarborough, annually, on May-day.

The house left by Sedman, now divided into three tenements, is inhabited by six poor persons, men and women, placed therein by the corporation. The lands, which comprise in the whole 4 A. 2 R. 32 P., are let to *William Sandwith*, by agreement for three years, at 17*l.* a year, which is the full annual value.

The rents, after deducting 20*s.* for the repairs of the premises, are paid over to and distributed by the churchwardens once a year, on May-day, amongst poor persons of the parish who attend church. The repairs of the hospital, over and above the 20*s.*, are provided for by the corporation, and the edifice is kept in substantial repair.

#### *Farrar's Hospital.*

This consists of two small tenements or cottages, under one roof, situate in Cook's Row, near Low Conduit, in Scarborough, which are stated in one of the benefaction tables in the church to have been given by Mr. *John Farrar*, who died between the years 1627 and 1630, for the habitation of as many poor widows as the same could conveniently contain.

The tenements are occupied by three poor persons appointed by the corporation, who keep up this building also at their own expense.

#### *North's Hospital.*

This hospital is described on one of the tablets of the church as the gift of — *North*. It is situate in Tollergate, and contains four small tenements, which are at present inhabited by five poor persons appointed by the corporation.

#### *St. Thomas's Hospital.*

It is stated by *Tanner*, in his "Notitia," that *Hugh de Bulmer*, temp. Hen. 3, gave lands towards the founding an hospital in Scarborough, to the honour of St. Thomas, and that the hospital was finished and endowed by the burgesses of that place.

The hospital is a brick building, situate at the north-western extremity of the town, and contains 13 separate tenements or habitations, which are occupied by poor persons, rent free, nominated and appointed by the corporation. Both sexes are admitted into the hospital, which, at the time of this inquiry, was inhabited by 14 poor men and women, and some children.

Attached to the hospital is a plot of ground, divided into 13 small gardens, for the use of that number of the inmates, who are allowed to occupy or let them at pleasure. The best are let at the rate of 7*s.* a year each.

#### *Burgh's Hospital.*

This consists of four tenements in Dumble-street, mentioned in a benefaction table to have been given to the poor of Scarborough by a person named *Burgh*.

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The tenements were occupied at the time of this inquiry by five or six poor persons, put in many years ago by the Rev. Cornelius Burgh, a descendant of the donor, and who then acted as a trustee of the charity. Mr. Henry Burgh, of the Pipe-office, in London, is supposed to be the present representative of the family; but he has never interfered in the trusts of the charity, and is understood to have resigned the management of it to the corporation, who have recently nominated a poor widow to one of the apartments. The building itself is in a very dilapidated state, and is in danger of becoming altogether uninhabitable.

*Robinson's Almshouse.*

*William Robinson*, as stated in the benefaction table, devised to the poor in Scarborough a house situate in Long West-gate.

This tenement was occupied for many years after the death of the donor by a family named Ombler, and had fallen into a state of entire decay. Upon the decease of the last occupier of that name, about 10 years ago, it was put in repair at the expense of the corporation, and has since been let by them to James Brown, at the annual rent of 1 *l.* 1 *s.*

The rent has hitherto been applied in liquidating the expense of the repairs; the corporation intend, however, when the debt is discharged, to apply the rent, with their other charitable funds, for the benefit of the poor of Scarborough.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—Scarborough.

Names of Corporators elected Magistrates.	Profession or Trade.	When Elected.
William Travis, third time (deceased) - - - -	M. D. - - - -	30th Sept. 1811.
Joseph Thirlwall (deceased) - - - -	Wine Merchant - - - -	
Joseph Wilson, second time (deceased) - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	1812.
William Moorsom (deceased) - - - -	Banker - - - -	
John Coulson, fourth time (deceased) - - - -	Collector of Customs - - - -	1813.
John Peirson (deceased) - - - -	Esquire - - - -	
Joseph N. Vickerman, second time (deceased) - - - -	Wine Merchant - - - -	1814.
John Hill Coulson - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	
William Chambers, second time (deceased) - - - -	Architect - - - -	1815.
Henry Byron - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	
Joseph Thirlwall, second time (deceased) - - - -	Wine Merchant - - - -	1816.
Henry Cooke (deceased) - - - -	Banker - - - -	
John Travis, third time (deceased) - - - -	Solicitor - - - -	1817.
Richard Wilson - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	
William Moorsom, second time (deceased) - - - -	Banker - - - -	1818.
John Bell (deceased) - - - -	Esquire - - - -	
John Woodall, jun., third time - - - -	Solicitor - - - -	1819.
John Tindall - - - -	Banker - - - -	
John Hill Coulson, second time - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	1820.
James Cooper (deceased) - - - -	Collector of Customs - - - -	
Henry Cooke, second time (deceased) - - - -	Banker - - - -	1821.
Robert Marflitt (deceased) - - - -	Merchant - - - -	
Richard Wilson, second time - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	1822.
Henry Hugall - - - -	Wine Merchant - - - -	
John Bell, second time (deceased) - - - -	Esquire - - - -	1823.
John Wharton - - - -	Ditto - - - -	
Robert Marflitt, second time (deceased) - - - -	Merchant - - - -	1824.
Edward Hopper Hebden - - - -	Banker - - - -	
John Tindall, second time - - - -	Banker - - - -	1825.
Edward Dormer - - - -	Wine Merchant - - - -	
Edward H. Hebden, second time - - - -	Banker - - - -	1826.
George Nesfield - - - -	Brewer - - - -	
John Wharton, second time - - - -	Esquire - - - -	1827.
John Woodall - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	
John Hill Coulson, third time - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	1828.
George Fowler - - - -	Sailmaker - - - -	
Samuel Wharton, jun. - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	1829.
William Bean Fowler - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	
Henry Cooke, third time (died in July 1831) - - - -	Banker - - - -	1830.
Richard Wilson, third time - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	
Joseph Tindall - - - -	Shipowner - - - -	1831.
Edward Dormer, second time - - - -	Wine Merchant - - - -	
Samuel Beswick - - - -	Timber Merchant - - - -	1832.
Edward H. Hebden, third time - - - -	Banker - - - -	
Thomas Dowker Woodall - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	

*John Woodall*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF SEAFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of Seaford holds, under a grant from the Crown, certain waste lands, occasionally flooded by the sea, the rental of which is 51*l.* 10*s.* per annum.

The Corporation pays out of this amount,										£.	s.	d.	
For a school	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	per annum.	20	-	-
Poor's rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
A composition to the port of Hastings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Salary to the town-clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-
The like to the town-serjeant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	-
Repairs, upon an average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	12	6
										£.	45	-	6

Any surplus is divided equally amongst the freemen.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Seaford.*

Charles Harrison, Esq.  
 Thomas Chambers, Esq.  
 Sir John Leach, Knt., Master of the Rolls.  
 The Rev. Thomas Evans, Vicar of Seaford.  
 James Brooker, Esq.  
 Robert Stone, Esq.  
 James Chambers, Esq.  
 William Chambers, Esq.  
 Thomas Harben, Esq.  
 The Honourable Charles Lenox.  
 John Sargent, Esq.

The Right Hon. Charles Rose, Lord Seaford.  
 The Right Hon. Charles Augustus, Lord Howard de Walden.  
 The Hon. Augustus Frederick Ellis, a Colonel in His Majesty's Army.  
 Thomas D'Oyley, Esq., Serjeant-at-law.  
 John Fitzgerald, Esq.  
 Thomas Leach, Esq.  
 Thomas William Chambers, Esq.  
 John Evans, Esq.  
 Thomas Allwork, Esq.

*B. Harding Gell, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF SHAFTESBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.	How Acquired.	How Distributed or Applied.
Matthew Chubb founded an almshouse for 16 poor women.	- - Supposed by deed in 1611.	Occupied by the 16 almswomen.
Margaret Chubb charged some land, said to be purchased by the corporation previous to the year 1630, with the payment of 6 <i>l.</i> per annum, towards the support of the said almswomen.	Not known - -	- - The amount is regularly paid to the almswomen.
John Boden, William Grove, and Jane, his wife, charged some land, situate in St. James's parish, with the payment of 26 <i>l.</i> per annum, towards the support of Chubb's almshouse.	Not known - -	- - The amount is regularly paid to the almswomen.
Francis Weeks gave 100 <i>l.</i> in money towards the support of Chubb's almshouse.	- - Will, dated 26th June 1738.	- - The corporation pay the interest thereof regularly to the almswomen.
Anna Murrell gave 100 <i>l.</i> in money towards the support of Chubb's almshouse.	- - Paid to the corporation by Mrs. Murrell, 12th September 1707.	- - The corporation pay the interest thereof regularly to the almswomen.
John Bennett gave 100 <i>l.</i> in money towards the support of Chubb's almshouse.	- - By will, dated 16th April 1771.	- - This 100 <i>l.</i> was paid to Mr. Thos. Tucker, the then mayor, and the money is still in the hands of his personal representative, who has given his promissory note to the mayor and burgesses for payment of the principal on demand, with interest in the mean-time; the interest is regularly paid to the almswomen.
Thomas Petty charged some land, in Shaston St. James, with the payment of 1 <i>l.</i> annually, towards the support of Chubb's almshouse.	- - By will, date unknown.	To the almswomen.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.	How Acquired.	How Distributed or Applied.
William Lush gave 100 <i>l.</i> to the mayor and burgesses to purchase lands, the profits thereof to be disposed of as he, by deed or will, should appoint; for want of such appointment, to such poor persons as the mayor and common council should think fit; and having made no such appointment, he gives, by his will, to his trustees therein appointed and their successors, full power to dispose of this charity with the rest, provided the mayor and corporation for their own use agree to it, but if that be refused, the said sum was to be paid by trustees under the will, to discharge the bond, desiring the yearly interest might be applied to such uses as are mentioned relating to the same	- - Bond, dated 22d April 1713, and will, dated 27th February 1718.	- - The interest of this 100 <i>l.</i> is regularly paid to the almswomen by order of the mayor and common council.
Simon Whetcombe gave 50 <i>l.</i> to the mayor and burgesses, and the rector of Holy Trinity and St. Peter's, Shaftesbury, to be lent to 10 poor tradesmen residing within the borough, to each of them 5 <i>l.</i> , who are to give security for the repayment of the same, without interest, at five equal yearly payments.	- - By will, dated 23d August 1721.	- - The 21st December every year, as directed by the testator.
<b>OTHER PROPERTY.</b>		
The corporation are also entitled to various houses, lands and hereditaments, within and near the borough of Shaftesbury, which have been always granted out by them for leases of 99 years, determinable on lives, under certain reserved rents: the annual amount of such reserved rents now amount to about 135 <i>l.</i> per annum.	- - Principally by grant from the Crown in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, dated 15th July, in the 27th year of her reign (1585), as well as by subsequent conveyances.	- - After payment of the interest of the different sums bequeathed in furtherance of the women's almshouse, and keeping the said house in repair, the remainder is applied by the mayor for the time being, in paying the salaries of the corporation officers, and other expenses incidental to his office.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Shaftesbury.*

Michaelmas	1812, Richard Buckland	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1813, John Cooper	-	-	-	Ironmonger.
—	1814, David Gillingham	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1815, John Rogers	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1816, Thomas Bennett	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1817, John Cooper	-	-	-	Ironmonger.
—	1818, No Election.				
—	1819, David Gillingham	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1820, William Storey	-	-	-	Banker.
—	1821, Philip Mathews Chitty	-	-	-	Solicitor.
—	1822, Edward Buckland	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1823, George Chitty	-	-	-	Solicitor.
—	1824, Richard Buckland	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1825, William Swyer	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1826, Philip Mathews Chitty	-	-	-	Solicitor.
—	1827, Edward Buckland	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1828, James Lush Buckland	-	-	-	Surgeon.
—	1829, William Swyer	-	-	-	Gentleman.
—	1830, James Cox	-	-	-	Solicitor.
—	1831, George William Buckland	-	-	-	Surgeon.
—	1832, Thomas Burridge Chitty	-	-	-	Gentleman.

29 June 1833.

*C. E. Buckland*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF SHREWSBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir Thomas White's Gift (date of the deed, 1593).—To be lent by the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the said town, or the major part of them, to be assembled on the first Monday and Tuesday in October yearly, from the hour of ten in the morning to two in the afternoon, to such poor young men of the same town, being of honest name and fame, occupiers and inhabitants within the said town, and freemen of the same (clothiers to be preferred above all others), the sum of 25*l.* each, such young men to be named and appointed by the said mayor, aldermen and burgesses, or the major part of them; to have and occupy the same for the term of ten years then next following, without giving or paying anything for the loan thereof, so as such poor young men shall dwell within the said town, or the suburbs thereof, for ten years next after the receipt thereof, and finding to the said mayor, aldermen and burgesses, sufficient sureties or pawns for the true repayment thereof at the end of the said ten years, according to the direction and intention of the said donor, Sir Thomas White.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Shrewsbury, in account with Sir *Thomas White's* Donation or Gift :  
Dr.

1829: 2 October	Balance brought down	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
1831: 16 September	Received from James France, jun., whitesmith, on further account of Bond, No. 262	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,056	9	6½
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-
Cr.												

PRINCIPALS.	No.	SURETIES.	Sums Paid.	When Sum Paid.	When to be returned.
			£. s. d.		
Edward Elkes, Castle Foregate, painter.	285.	- - William Tibnam, Wyle Cop, St. Julian's, bookseller, and John Brazier, Corn-market, St. Chad's, writing-clerk.	25 - -	5 Nov. 1829	1 Oct. 1839.
John Peate, Castle Gates, carpenter.	286.	- - Samuel Peate, Castle Gates, St. Mary, broker, and Samuel Smith, College Hill, St. Chad's, writing-clerk.	25 - -	5 Nov. 1829	1 Oct. 1839.
John Frail, Shoplatch, hair-dresser.	289.	- - John Williams, Barker-street, St. Chad's, builder, and Hugh Griffiths, Barker-street, St. Chad's, grocer.	25 - -	5 Nov. 1829	1 Oct. 1839.
Richard Prinn, Cross Hill, shoemaker.	288.	- - Thomas Lloyd, Mardol, St. Chad's, currier, and Mary Ann Newton, Milk-street, St. Chad's, widow.	25 - -	5 Nov. 1829	1 Oct. 1839.
Richard Bromley, jun., Milk-street, baker.	290.	- - Richard Bromley, Coleham, St. Julian's, shoemaker, and John Bowen, Bayston Hill, Condover, tailor.	25 - -	5 Mar. 1830	1 Oct. 1839.
Thomas Hayward, Dog-lane, shoemaker.	291.	- - Richard Jenkins, esq., Shrewsbury, and John Jones, Dog-lane, St. Chad's, wine-merchant, and George Smith, College Hill, St. Chad's, carpenter.	25 - -	29 Nov. 1830	1 Oct. 1840.
James Martin, Fish-street, butcher.	292.	- - John Maddox, Frankwell, St. Chad's, maltster, and Samuel Asterley, Frankwell, St. Chad's, grocer.	25 - -	30 Nov. 1830	1 Oct. 1840.
John Tittensor, jun., St. Mary's Place, cabinet-maker.	297.	- - Jonathan Perry, Pride Hill, St. Alkmund's, auctioneer, and Charles Thos. Clarke, Mardol, St. Chad's, ironmonger.	25 - -	14 Feb. 1832	1 Oct. 1841.
James Martin, Fish-street, butcher.	300.	- - William Martin, Double Butcher-row, butcher, and Jacob Brown, Fish-street, butcher.	25 - -	22 Feb. 1833	1 Oct. 1842.
George Kerry, Frankwell, hosier.	301.	- - William Baker, Corn-market, silversmith, and Timothy White, Wyle Cop, upholsterer.	25 - -	22 Feb. 1833	1 Oct. 1842.
John Bright, Coleham, carpenter.	302.	- - Charles Oliver, Copthorn, innkeeper, and William Picken, Castle Foregate, iron-founder.	25 - -	9 Mar. 1833	1 Oct. 1842.

Sir *Samuel Jones's* Gift (date of will, 10th March 1670).—To be lent by the said mayor, aldermen and burgesses, or the major part of them, at the same times, to young tradesmen, set up in the said town, the sum of 25*l.* each; to have and occupy the same for the term of ten years then next following, free from any interest for the same; first giving sufficient security for the repayment thereof at the end of the said ten years.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Shrewsbury, in account with Sir *Samuel Jones's* Bequest or Gift :  
Dr.

1829: 2 October	-	Balance brought down	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
1831: 1 October	-	Thomas Griffiths, No. 266	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	354	18	½
										25	-	-

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PRINCIPALS.	No.	SURETIES.	Sums Paid.	When Sum Paid.	When to be returned.
William Broughall, jun., Fish-street, butcher.	287.	- - Timothy Oakley, Pride Hill, St. Alkmond's, butcher, and William Broughall, Pride Hill, St. Alkmond's, butcher.	£. s. d. 25 - -	5 Nov. 1829	1 Oct. 1839.
Thomas Davies, Dog-lane, hatter.	293.	- - Peter Beck, Dog-lane, St. Chad's, wine-merchant, and James Watkins, Mardol, St. Chad's, ironmonger.	25 - -	30 Nov. 1830	1 Oct. 1840.
Thomas Adams, St. Alkmond's-square, butcher.	294.	- - Edward Jones, Ox-lane, St. Mary's, innkeeper, and Richard Adams, Castle-street, St. Mary's, cornfactor, and Samuel Asterley, Frankwell, St. Chad's, grocer.	25 - -	30 Nov. 1830	1 Oct. 1840.

PRINCIPALS.	No.	SURETIES.	Sums Paid.	When Sums Paid.	When to be returned.
Thomas Evans, Coleham, bricklayer.	293.	- - Charles Cross, Cruckmeole, Pontesbury, miller, and Robert Jones, Pride Hill, St. Mary's, grocer.	£. s. d. 25 - -	17 Oct. 1831	1 Oct. 1841.
Joseph Dorricott, parish of St. Mary, carpenter and joiner.	296.	- - Henry Leigh, Double Butcher-row, St. Alkmund's, butcher, and Tobias Roberts, Castle Foregate, St. Mary's, barber.	25 - -	21 Dec. 1831	1 Oct. 1841.
William Phillips, Castle Foregate, brushmaker.	298.	- - Lewis Jones, Castle Foregate, maltster, and Evan Griffiths, Castle Foregate, dealer in earthenware.	25 - -	22 Feb. 1833	1 Oct. 1842.
Henry Pugh, St. Julian's Friars, painter.	299.	- - James Proud Johnson, Milk-street, doctor in medicine, and Sarah Jorden, Wyle Cop, widow.	25 - -	22 Feb. 1833	1 Oct. 1842.

Mr. *Paul Clarke's* Gift (date of will, 15th April 1606).—To be lent by the mayor of the said town, at the same times, to any of the name and kindred of the said Paul Clarke, on their application, on sufficient sureties for repayment at the end of two years, any sum not exceeding one moiety to any one person.

The Mayor of Shrewsbury in account with Mr. *Paul Clarke's* Bequest or Gift :

Dr.—1829 : Oct. 2. Balance brought down - - £. 15. 12. 5  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Mr. *John Hilton's* Gift (date of will, 30th August 1697).—To be lent by the mayor and six senior aldermen resident in the said town, or the major part of them, at the same times, as they shall adjudge and think fit and most deserving of the same, unto young tradesmen and inhabitants of the same town, (those of the parish of St. Chad to be preferred before all others,) the sum of 15*l.* each ; to have and occupy the same for five years, interest free, giving security for the repayment thereof to the said mayor and six senior aldermen, according to the directions of the said donor, John Hilton.

The Mayor and Six senior Aldermen of Shrewsbury, in account with Mr. *John Hilton's* Donation or Gift :

Dr.—To cash in the box, as settled by a decree of the Court of Chancery - £. 76. 11. 7  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Mr. *John Allen's* Gift (date of will, 24th August 1568).—To be lent by the mayor of the said town for the time being, at the same times, to such persons (being poor inhabitants of the said town) applying to the mayor for the same, on sufficient sureties to him, with his approbation, for the repayment thereof at the end of three years, to have and receive the sum of 15*l.*, and to occupy the same during the said three years, free from interest ; each person having the benefit of the said charity paying 4*d.* annually to the poor of St. Mary's and St. Chad's almshouses, within the said town, according to the directions and intentions of the said donor, Robert Allen.

The Mayor of Shrewsbury in account with Mr. *Robert Allen's* Bequest or Gift :

Dr.—To cash in the box, as settled by the decree of the Court of Chancery - £. 306. 6. 9  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

In all petitions and applications for the foregoing five donations (printed forms of which may be had by applying to the town-clerk, at his office in the Guildhall, between the hours of twelve at noon and two in the afternoon, any Tuesday), the place of abode, description, trade and occupation of the petitioner, and of the two securities or sureties proposed for the repayment of the several sums of money before mentioned, must be inserted, which petitions and applications must be presented to the mayor and town-clerk for the time being, or their lawful deputies, in the Exchequer of the said town, from the hour of ten in the morning till two in the afternoon, on the first Monday or Tuesday in October yearly ; and such security or surety at the same time make oath before the mayor of the said town, or, in his absence, before his lawful deputy, that he, she or they are respectively worth double the sum to be lent to such person or persons so applying as aforesaid, after his, her or their debts are fully paid and satisfied.

*James Phillips*, of London, Esq., by his will dated 24th April 1661, devises, after the death of *Phillipa*, his wife, his messuages or tenements, with the appurtenances, situate in Three-crown Court, in the borough of Southwark, unto the mayor and aldermen of the town of Shrewsbury for the time being, and to their successors for ever, to the end that the said mayor and aldermen, and their successors, shall for ever from and after the death of his said wife, out of the rents and profits of the said premises, maintain a lecture to be kept and sermon preached by able, sound, orthodox divines, in the parish churches of Whitchurch, Ellesmere and Oswestry, and the said town of Shrewsbury, on Thursday in every week for ever ; and to the end that the said mayor and aldermen shall lay out the remainder of the said rents and profits (necessary charges in and about the receiving of the said rents and repairing the said premises being first deducted,) in gowns and clothes, and distribute the same yearly upon or near unto the feast-day of St. Simon and St. Jude for ever, unto and upon an equal number of such poor people within the said parishes of Whitchurch, Ellesmere, Oswestry and town of Shrewsbury, who shall have most need of the same, and as to the said mayor and aldermen (for the time being) shall seem most meet and convenient, each parish and town alike.

The profits of this estate are annually applied by the mayor and aldermen as directed by the will.



## Statement of the Lettings, &amp;c. of Three Crown Square.

NAMES of TENANTS.	Premises No. on Plan.	TERMS of HOLDING.	ANNUAL RENT.	Sums Expended or to be Expended on Repairs.	Sums in which each House is Insured by the Corporation.
Mr. Richard West -	1	- - A repairing lease for 21 years, from the 24th of June 1830.	£. s. d. 40 - -	£. s. d. 250 - -	£. s. d. 900 - -
Mr. Richard West -	2	- The same -	18 - -	80 - -	300 - -
Mr. Thomas Peckham -	3	- The same -	17 10 -	150 - -	350 - -
Mr. Thomas Peckham -	4	- The same -	17 10 -	150 - -	400 - -
Mr. William Jackson -	5	Tenant at-will -	25 - -	- - -	600 - -
Mr. Alexander Lee -	6	- - A repairing lease for 21 years, from the 24th of June 1830.	30 - -	150 - -	600 - -
Mr. Joseph Foy -	7 & 8	- The same -	34 - -	170 - -	600 - -
Messrs. Young, Beving- ton & Horne.	9	- The same -	34 - -	180 - -	600 - -
Mrs. Hannah Howlton	10	- The same -	32 - -	130 - -	350 - -
Mrs. Hannah Howlton	11	- The same -	20 - -	100 - -	350 - -
Mrs. Hannah Howlton	12	- The same -	20 - -	100 - -	350 - -
Messrs. Parks -	13	- The same -	24 - -	100 - -	400 - -
Messrs. Parks -	14	- The same -	20 - -	200 - -	400 - -
Mr. Samuel Piercy	15	- The same -	40 - -	350 - -	900 - -
Mr. Richard West	16	- The same -	86 - -	340 - -	1,200 - -
			£. 458 - -	2,450 - -	8,300 - -

Previous to the year 1660, several persons gave to the corporation of Shrewsbury divers small sums of money, to be applied, part in the purchase of coals, part in the putting out apprentices, and the remainder at their discretion.

In the year 1663, the corporation laid out the same in the purchase of a freehold estate at Burlton, and in 1791, sold the timber growing thereon for 927 *l.*; and in 1796, laid out 925 *l.*, part thereof, in purchasing the tithes of the said estate, which have from 1796 to this year (1817), a period of 22 years, averaged 51 *l.* 18 *s.* 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* a year, being more than five per cent. interest on the purchase-money. The town-clerk, the receiver, allowed four per cent. interest for the purchase-money for the timber, from 1791 to the time of the purchase of the tithes in 1796.

Part of the rents of the said estate is annually laid out in the purchase of coals, which are distributed at Christmas to the poor of the town by the chamberlains, under the direction of the mayor; part is annually given by the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the said town, or the major part of them, with young boys and girls, born in the parishes of St. Chad, St. Mary, St. Alkmund, St. Julian, and Holy Cross and St. Giles, apprentices; the master or mistress, and two reputable housekeepers, to be approved by the said mayor, aldermen and burgesses, or the major part of them, as sureties, covenanting for the performance of the indenture, on the part of the master or mistress; and the remainder in such other charities as present themselves, and the trustees in their discretion approve. The corporation annually, on the Friday after St. Bartholomew, appoint a committee of the house to receive the recommendations of proper objects of this charity, and to do every act necessary for disposing of the funds. Printed forms of the recommendations are deposited at the town-clerk's office, and are delivered to any person applying for them, between the hours of twelve at noon and two in the afternoon, any Tuesday; which when properly filled up and signed by the member of the corporation recommending, are delivered to the town-clerk, with a copy of the register of the baptism of the child, signed by the minister of the parish where such child was born; and upon some day about Christmas, yearly, the committee meet and determine which children shall be placed out, and upon what terms and condition.

As to an Estate at *Chelmick*, in the county of Salop.

20th August 1622.—Counterpart of lease from *Thomas Chelmick*, Esq., in consideration of 55 *l.* to Thomas Wilkes and Eleanor his wife, and Richard their son, for their respective lives, of a messuage and lands at *Chelmick*, in the parish of Hope Bowdler: rent, 16 *s.*; heriot, 10 *s.*

Same date.—Counterpart of lease from ditto to ditto, for same time, of several pieces of land in the township of *Chelmick*; rent, 24 *s.*

26th January 1626.—An extract of deed of *Henry Smith*, of London, Esq., containing his directions to the churchwardens and overseers of every parish how they are to dispose of the money they receive, theretofore given or thereafter to be given during his life, or to be purchased or conveyed by the Earl of Essex, Sir Christopher Nevill, Sir Richard Lumley, Sir George Brooke, George Whitmore, George Lowe, William Blake, William Rolfe, Richard Garner and Henry Jackson, or the survivors or survivor of them, to be yearly paid out of the rents, issues or profits of the hereditaments thereafter to be purchased, for the yearly relief of the poor of any parish, for the marriage of poor maidens, or putting forth of poor children to be apprentices. Then follows various further directions.

10th August

10th August 1633.—Lease from Thomas Chelmick, Esq. and wife, of a messuage and lands at Chelmick, to William Griffithes, for 99 years, if he and Robert Griffithes or Elizabeth Carter so long lived, at the rent of 40 s. and the best beast for an heriot.

31st October 1635.—Copy of bargain and sale from Thomas Chelmick, Esq. and Frances his wife, of four messuages in Chelmick, in the tenure of William Griffithes, Joane-ap-Owen, widow, Thomas Wilkes and Francis Mynton, with the lands and appurtenances belonging thereto; a meadow in Hope Bowdler, called the Mill Poole; a piece of land in Hatton, called the Browth, and all other the premises of the said Thomas Chelmick, in Chelmick aforesaid, unto the Right Honourable Richard Viscount Lumley, Sir Christopher Neville, of Newton St. Lowe, in the county of Somerset, Knight of the Bath; Sir George Croke, knight, one of the justices of the Court of King's Bench; Richard Gurney, alderman of London, and William Rolfe, George Lowe and Henry Jackson, of London, esquires, their heirs and assigns for ever, in consideration of 400 l. by them paid to the said Thomas Chelmick. Inrolled in Chancery 17th November 1635.

Hilary, 16 Ch. 1.—A memorandum is indorsed on the above copy, that a fine was then levied by Thomas Chelmick and wife of lands in Chelmick, Hope Bowdler and Hatton.

4th July 1653.—Extract of a deed, of which the following is a copy:—"4th July 1653. The Right Honourable Richard Viscount Lumley and Henry Hine, Esq., surviving feoffees of the estate of Henry Smyth, late of London, Esq., by him given to charitable uses for the relief and setting to work of poor people, by a deed, inrolled in Chancery, dated 26th January, 2 Charles 1, reciting that the feoffees had, with part of the personal estate of the said Henry Smyth, purchased manors, messuages, &c. to be settled to the uses aforesaid, of which the lands thereafter mentioned in Chelmick are part; reciting a deed of 20th December 1641, inrolled."

The said feoffees declare that the estate and interest they have is in trust for the benefit and behoof of the poor of Shrewsbury, and that the churchwardens and overseers of Shrewsbury may resort to the said farms, &c. for the due payment and recovery of the said 16 l. (the then rent), and for the improving of the said premises and the rents, &c., to remove tenants, &c.

27th June, 26 Ch. 2.—Case, with Mr. Comyn's Opinion.

Same date.—Chelmick articles.

These two last are with W. C. Hart, Esq. of Hope Bowdler.

25th March 1727.—Lease from the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the town of Shrewsbury, in the county of Salop, to Edward Knott, of Chelmick, in the said county, yeoman, of the messuage in Chelmick, with the lands belonging thereto, called the Lea Furlong, Lower and Upper Hatch, Upper Pike Meadow, Lower Pike Meadow, Two Hill Hadlongs, Goodland Meadow, Five Pikes, the Spon Upper Leasow, Tree Mill Leasows, Lower Leasows, Thatch Stable, Ditch Copp, the Yards, the Backside Bradley Furlong, the Mill Pool Leasow in Hope Bowdler, the Acre and two little Butts in Mr. Russell's Hill Hadlong, which premises were in possession of said Edward Knott; also the messuages and lands late in possession of Widow Richards and Richard Bird, in Chelmick, called the Croft, the Bigger Yard, the two Little Yards, Lea Furlong, the Meadow, the three Spons, four Butts in the Town Field and the Lower Lea Furlong, the Clod Hill, two meadows lying under it, two leasows below Richard Bird's house, four cross fields and two yards; for three lives. Rent, 40 l. per annum.

Some letters and papers respecting an inclosure of waste lands appurtenant to the Chelmick estate, which were afterwards inclosed under an Act of Parliament, and an allotment made for this estate, as hereafter stated.

24th March 1797.—Letter of attorney from the corporation to two persons, to enter and take possession of the Chelmick estate.

25th March 1797.—An undertaking, signed by Edward Knott, Richard Knott and Sarah Knott, to quit the Chelmick estate when required by the corporation.

8th April 1797.—Agreement to let Chelmick estate to the above Edward, Richard and Sarah Knott, for one year. The rents of this estate at Chelmick are disbursed in the same manner as the rents of the estate at Burlton, above set forth.

In addition to the above estates at Burlton and Chelmick, there is a sum of 201 l. 10 s. in the hands of Thomas Loxdale, Esq. the town clerk, received by him on the 15th January 1805, being the purchase-money of an allotment of waste land from the common of Sowdley and Eyewood, under an Act of Parliament for its inclosure, allotted to the corporation in right of the Chelmick estate, and sold to Robert Burt, Esq., upon the valuation of Mr. Valentine Vickers, jun., the commissioner for the inclosure, the interest of which is annually accounted for and disbursed in the same manner as the rents of the estates.

Rental of the Estates at Burlton and Chelmick, for the Year ending Lady-day 1812; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
132. Burlton:—Thomas Stanway, a farm	72	—	—
Representatives of John Pemberton, ditto	58	—	—
Elizabeth Price, ditto	20	—	—
William Roberts, land	6	6	—
Thomas Stanway, tithes of his farm	36	—	—
John Pemberton's representatives, ditto	27	—	—
Elizabeth Price, ditto	7	—	—
William Roberts, ditto	—	7	—
Robert Baker, tithes	—	1	6
	226	14	6
Chelmick, 133:—Messrs. Knott, a farm	80	—	—
Interest of the above 201 l. 10 s., purchase-money of Sowdley and Eyewood inclosure	10	1	6
	90	1	6
	£.	316	16

In the year 1663, the corporation purchased the Burlton estate, which cost 1,200 *l.*, with monies in their hands, which, previous thereto, several persons had given to the corporation of Shrewsbury, to be applied, part in the purchase of coals, part in the putting out apprentices, and the remainder at their discretion. An exact particular of those sums, and how they were disposed of, cannot now be ascertained; but the following, which is copied from an old entry in a book of receipts and disbursements of the charities in 1662, in the Exchequer, gives some information on that head; viz. "Gifts and legacies given and bequeathed to the poore inhabitants of the town of Shrewsbury till this year, 1662:

" Hugh Attwell Clearke	- - - - -	003 00 00
" Sarah Yeamans	- - - - -	010 00 00
" Elizabeth Ellams	- - - - -	100 00 00
" Edward Hunt	- - - - -	003 00 00
" Roger Pope, Esq.	- - - - -	100 00 00
" John Hunt, alderman	- - - - -	050 00 00
" Alderman Healing, of London	- - - - -	100 00 00
" Received for consideration of it	- - - - -	001 10 00
" Mr. William Burston, of London	- - - - -	300 00 00
" Mr. Richard Hunt	- - - - -	100 00 00
" Mr. Thomas Wingfield	- - - - -	050 00 00
" Mr. John Lloyd	- - - - -	040 00 00
" Mr. Pen's gift	- - - - -	043 16 04
" Mr. Fisher's gift	- - - - -	116 10 03
" Mr. Thomas Jones's legacie	- - - - -	100 00 00
" From Mr. Rowland Tench	- - - - -	002 11 08
" Mr. Charles Benion's gift	- - - - -	050 00 00
" Mr. Andrew Griffith's gift	- - - - -	030 00 00
" Mr. Laurence Palmer's gift	- - - - -	024 04 00
" Mr. Adam's gift	- - - - -	010 00 00
" Mr. Whitteen's gift	- - - - -	005 18 00
" Sir William Owen, spared in the sickness 1630	- - - - -	050 00 00
" Mr. Rowland Tench, for another	- - - - -	001 11 08
" Horton's Rent	- - - - -	009 10 00
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		1,301 11 11
" Chelmacke rentt, received by the towne, which is 16 <i>l.</i> per annum, since the date of the deede, and due to the poor from 1635 to 1662, September 29th, abating contribution, comes to	- - - - -	368 00 00
" More the towne owes :		
" Borrowed of the poore's money to buy the fee-farm rent	- - - - -	206 00 00
" More, received of Mr. Mackworth for use money	- - - - -	27 00 00
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" Total due to Poor	- - - - -	1,902 11 11
		<hr/>
" Debts owing for stuffs :		
" Mr. Littlehale, of London	- - - - -	17 10 00
" Mr. Henry Smith	- - - - -	04 15 00
" Mr. John Proud, for two pieces stuff	- - - - -	08 15 00
" Captain Richard Smith owes by bond	- - - - -	014 00 00"

## LIST of the TENANTS on the Burlton and Chelmick Estates.

YEARLY RENT.	TENANTS' NAMES AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.
<i>£.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	
72 - -	Thomas Stanway, for farm at Burlton.
140 - -	Mrs. Elizabeth Pemberton, widow, for ditto.
20 - -	Samuel Price, for ditto.
6 6 -	William Roberts, for land.
80 - -	Hannah Wilkes, for farm at Chelmick.
	Burlton hay and corn tithe for a year :
26 15 -	Thomas Stanway.
22 16 6	Mrs. Elizabeth Pemberton.
2 17 -	Samuel Price.
- 10 6	William Roberts.
- 1 -	John Baker.
5 - -	Mr. Loxdale, placed with him at interest as formerly, being 100 <i>l.</i> , remainder of 201 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> , purchase-money of Sowdley and Eyewood Common.
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<i>£.</i> 376 6 -	

Thomas

*Thomas Owen*, of Condober, in the county of Salop, one of the justices of the Common Pleas in Westminster, in Queen Elizabeth's reign, did, by his will, dated 9th December 1598, give and devise unto the baylwes and cominaltie of the towne of Salop, by what name soever they be incorporated, the yearlie rente of his farme at Calcott, with the appurtenances, in the countie of Salop, ymmediately after his deathe; and he wills that they shall employe the profits thereof for the purchasing of some landes, tenements, rents or hereditaments, the rents whereof should be bestowed and given yearlie to poor decayed householders of the parrishe of Sainte Chaddes in Shrewsbury, where he was borne, and to poore ympotent persons there.

The rents were laid out in the purchase of an estate at Cletterwood, in Montgomeryshire; which estate was leased in 1627 for 20*l.* a year, for 1,000 years, and which 20*l.* are annually distributed at Christmas, pursuant to the will.

*Edward Owen*, of the town of Shrewsbury, alderman, by his will, dated 25th November 1612, left to the bailiffs and burgesses of the town of Shrewsbury, charged on certain lands in Kilgurgan, in the parish of Lannarevige, in the county of Montgomery, 10*l.* a year, to be yearly distributed by the said bailiffs and burgesses of the said town for ever, to 200 of the poorest householders inhabiting in the parish of St. Chad (where he was born), 6*d.* a piece.

This sum is annually distributed at Christmas, pursuant to the will.

*Mrs. Lloyd's 100 l., to Cloathe the Poor of St. Mary's.*

*Mrs. Elizabeth Lloyd*, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Middlesex, widow, left to the parish of St. Mary, Shrewsbury, 100*l.* by her will, proved in Doctors' Commons 27th January 1696, to be put out by the mayor and three senior aldermen, the profits to be applied yearly towards clothing 10 poor aged decayed people in the said parish; the minister, churchwardens and overseers of the poor giving yearly a list of 20 poor persons, upon Friday next after St. Bartholomew's-day, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, in the Exchequer of the said town, out of which 10 to be appointed by the said mayor and three senior aldermen.

The sum of 5*l.* is annually applied by the corporation to the above purpose.

*Mrs. Smith's 4 l. per annum to the Poor of St. Julian's.*

Anno 1621, the bailiffs and burgesses of Shrewsbury, in consideration of 56*l.* paid to them by *Catherine Smith*, widow, oblige themselves to pay yearly 4*l.* to certain feoffees, in trust for the churchwardens of the parish of St. Julian's, Salop, to be by them distributed equally to four poor, aged impotent persons of the said parish, who shall have dwelt there for three years before, and be appointed by the said feoffees to receive the same, respect being first had to poor ancient widows, and such as were born within the said parish; none to have it twice within five years.

When the feoffees are decreased to the number of four, the survivors to assign over to eight new ones.

This sum is annually paid by the corporation to the above purpose.

*David Lloyd-ap-Rogers.*

*David Lloyd-ap-Rogers*, by will, dated 1st May 1623, left his house in Frankwell to the bailiffs and burgesses of Salop, charged with the following annuities:—

	£.	s.	d.
To John Evans and his heirs for ever, yearly - - - - -	1	-	-
To Thomas-ap-Francis, ditto - - - - -	1	-	-
To the minister or chief curate of St. Chad - - - - -	-	10	-
To the coroners of Salop, for the repair of the town bridge - - - - -	-	10	-
To the overseers of Buttington, in the county of Montgomery, for the repair of Buttington Bridge - - - - -	-	10	-

The rest to the poor of the parish of St. Chad, to be given at the discretion of the bailiffs.

The said house is, by lease, dated on or about 21st January 1740, demised by the corporation, at the rent of 4*l.* 10*s.*, to William Lloyd, for 99 years, from 25th March preceding the date. The family of Bevan now hold it. The lease expires at Lady-day 1838.

*Mr. Thynne, for a Dwelling for the Curate of St. Mary's.*

*William Thynne*, alderman, of Salop, by will, dated 18th May 1671, left the corporation 100*l.*, to purchase a dwelling in the said town or suburbs, for the use of the curate of St. Mary's and his successor, and till the purchase of the same be made, the interest thereof to be paid to the said curate, towards the rent of such house as he shall take for his habitation. £. 53, part thereof, was laid out, about the year 1800, in the redemption of the land-tax charged on an estate at Edgerley, belonging to the curate of St. Mary's; and 2*l.* 7*s.*, the interest of the remainder, is now paid him.

*Mr. Edward Donne's Gift :—20th and 25th January 1668.*

Indentures of lease and release, the release made between Edward Donne, of Little Ness, gentleman, of the first part; the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the town of Shrewsbury, of the second part; Sir Francis Edwards, of Shrewsbury, bart., Timothy Tourneur, of Shrewsbury, Philip Prince, of Abbey Foregate, Jonathan Langley, of Abbey Foregate, Edward Kynaston, of Adbright Lee, Thomas Bawdewin, of Shrewsbury, Adam Ottley, of Shrewsbury, and Thomas Tourneur, of Shrewsbury, esqrs., Richard Waring, of Woodcott, John Harding, of Shrewsbury, Samuel Lloyd, of Shrewsbury, Richard Taylor, of Shrewsbury, Roger Griffiths, of Frankwell, George Hosier, of Shrewsbury, and Robert Foster, of Shrewsbury, gentlemen, of the third part: reciting that Edward Donne, late alderman of Shrewsbury, by his will, duly executed, did (*inter alia*) devise and bequeath that 200*l.*, part of the personal estate of him the said testator, should by his executors, or by the survivor of them, be disposed of for the purchasing of lands, tenements and hereditaments, to the intent and purpose that the yearly rents, issues and profits thereof should be for ever employed to and for the binding of such poor children to be apprentices as had been or should be born within the town of Shrewsbury, or suburbs thereof, in manner and form following; viz. one moiety of the rents, issues and profits for the binding of such poor children to be apprentices as had been or should be born in the parish of St. Chad, within the said town and suburbs; and the other moiety thereof to be divided into three equal parts, for the binding of such poor children to be apprentices as had been or should be born in the said town and suburbs, in the several parishes of St. Mary, St. Alkmond and St. Julian; and the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the said several parishes for the time being within the said several parishes, with the assent of the wife of the said Edward Donne, during her life, and after her decease, of his executors, or the survivor of them, and after their deceases, with the assent of William Donne, of Little Ness, father of the said Edward Donne, party thereto, and of the heirs of the said William, from time to time, should have the nomination and appointment of such poor children as from time to time should be put out or bound as apprentices as aforesaid; and of the said will appointed his wife, Margaret Donne, Robert Betton, Owen George and John Betton, his executors. That the executors did not purchase any lands with the said 200*l.*, but the said 200*l.* afterwards was secured in the hands of Edward Donne, party thereto.

That the said Edward Donne, with the said 200*l.* and other monies, had lately purchased the messuage and land thereafter mentioned, which he was desirous to settle, to secure the payment of such monies as should be due and arise from the said 200*l.*, to such uses and in such manner as by the said will is limited and appointed.

Then the said Edward Donne conveys a messuage in Bulchey, with the lands and appurtenances belonging thereto, and several pieces of land in the township of Bulchey, Bron-y-Koppall, and Wollaston, called Kae Hill, the Great Furlong in the Crumes, the Short Furlong in Cae Croys, the Hempbutt next the Barn in the Orchard, the two Rae Lloyds, the two Crofts by the Orchard, the Hempbutt by the Gate, Rea'r Berllan, the Coppy and the Coppy Meadow, the Short Furlong in the Crumes, the Long Furlong, the Kea Croys, the Clutt Pyth Catt, and the Dayes Math in Woolaston Meadow: To hold the same unto and to the use of the said Sir Francis Edwards, and the said other persons, of the third part, their heirs and assigns for ever, upon trust that they should by lease, within one month from the date thereof, demise the same premises unto the said Edward Donne, party thereto, his executors, administrators and assigns, for 2,000 years, under the rent of 10*l.* per annum, and under such covenants, conditions and limitations as by counsel should be reasonable, to the end the said yearly rent might be disposed of according to the will of the said Edward Donne, the testator.

Covenant from the said parties of the third part, that they would convey the said premises to such other trustees, burgesses of the said town, as should be elected by the mayor of the said town, so that there should not be less than four trustees.

Executed by Edward Donne, and attested by six witnesses.

24th March 1688.—Counterpart of lease from the said Sir Francis Edwards and the other persons of the third part in the release, with the consent of the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the town of Shrewsbury, of the said premises comprised in the same indenture, to the said Edward Donne, his executors, administrators and assigns, from the sealing and delivery thereof, for 2,000 years, paying to the said lessors, and the survivors and survivor of them, his heirs and assigns, the yearly rent of 10*l.*, at Michaelmas and Lady-day, by even portions, in the Exchequer of the said town, between the hours of three and four in the afternoon. Covenant from the said lessors, that they and every of them so receiving the said rent would deliver forthwith the same to the mayor of the said town for the time being, in the Exchequer of the same town, to be yearly employed as by the said will of the said Edward Donne, the testator, was limited, devised and appointed.

Executed by Edward Donne, and attested by three witnesses.

This estate now belongs to the Rev. Lawrence Gardner, of Sansaw, in the county of Salop, D. D., for the residue of the 2,000 years' term.

*Mr. Richard Llewellyn's Gift.*

Richard Llewellyn, Esq. alderman of the town of Shrewsbury, and one of the bailiffs of the said town, 1637, (*inter alia*), gave as follows: "And first of all, I doe give and bequeath unto the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the towne of Shrewsbury, and their successors for ever, by what name soever the said towne is or shall be incorporated, all that pasture or parsell of land situate lying and being in the townshipp of Shelton, within the libertyes of the said towne of Shrewsbury, commonly called or knowne by the name of Belecraft, which I purchased of Mr. John Langley, upon this condition, that the rents, issues and proffits thereof shall be received and yearly employed by my daughters, Elizabeth Llewellyn and Anna Calloway, widow, and the heirs of their bodies lawfully to bee begotten, to bind a poor child or children apprentice or apprentices, which are or shall bee borne in the parish of Saint Chadd, in the said towne, wherein I lived; and my will is, that the

the children of my kindred, and of my wife's kindred, be preferred before all others, if any such can be had; and if my said daughters and their children have noe issue, then my will is, that my cosen, Richard Cheshier, draper, and his heirs, for ever, have the disposing of the rents of the said pasture or parsell of land, yearly, for the use aforesaid; and the same apprentice or apprentices to bee entered and inrolled yearly and every year in the book of charitable remembrance remayning in the Exchequer of the said towne of Shrewsbury, as the apprentices are yearly sett forth by the gift of Edward Donne, gentleman, deceased, late alderman of the towne of Shrewsbury."

5th September 1757.—*Spateman Clarke*, of Chesterfield, in the county of Derby, executed a power of attorney, stating himself to be the second son of Samuel Clarke, late of Chesterfield, and grands on of John Clarke, of Bessford, in the county of Nottingham, which John Clarke married Ann Calloway, widow, one of the two daughters of the testator, Richard Llewellyn; and as such second son, his eldest brother having died a bachelor, and his aunt, Elizabeth Llewellyn, having died and left no male issue then living, he the said Spateman Clarke was himself entitled to receive and employ the rents of the said piece of ground, agreeably with the will of his great-grandfather, Richard Llewellyn, and by such power of attorney appointed and empowered the Rev. Job Orton (since deceased) to receive the rents, and employ the same in the manner directed by the said will. The rent was so received and applied by Mr. Orton as long as he lived, and has been so since his decease by Mr. Joshua Eddowes during his life, and by his son, Mr. William Eddowes, ever since, till 1830, when, upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Commissioners of Public Charities, the account was balanced, and 67 *l.* 9 *s.*, the balance, handed over to the chamberlain of the corporation, to be applied according to the will of the testator.

The piece of land is about two acres, and let to Mr. Phipps, gardener, at 14 *l.* 14 *s.* a year.

Name of the present Tenant on Mr. Llewellyn's Gift:—Mr. Joseph Lovell Phipps, at a yearly rent of 14 *l.* 14 *s.*

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Shrewsbury*.

William Smith	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
Thomas Kynnersley	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
The Right Honourable the Earl of Powis.							
Joseph Loxdale	.	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
Thomas Eyton	-	-	-	-	-	-	Esquire.
John Lee	-	-	-	-	-	-	Builder.
William Coupland	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Richard Phillips	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
William Harley	-	-	.	-	-	-	Silversmith.
Samuel Tudor	-	-	-	-	-	-	Upholsterer.
John Betton	-	-	-	-	-	-	Glazier (afterwards created Sir John Betton, knight).
Joshua Peele	-	-	-	-	-	-	Wine-merchant.
William Egerton Jeffreys	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Hugh Owen	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk.
Edward Cullis	-	.	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Samuel Harley	-	-	-	-	-	-	Grocer.
Rice Wynne	-	-	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Jonathan Perry	-	-	-	-	-	-	Auctioneer.
The Honourable and Reverend Richard Noel Hill							
William Brayne	-	-	-	-	-	-	Brazier.
Richard Corfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk.
Thomas Dugard	-	-	-	-	-	-	Doctor of Physic.
William Cooper	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Robert Gray	-	-	-	-	-	-	Draper.
Joseph Loxdale the younger	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Thomas Farmer Dukes	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solicitor.
Thomas Tomlins	-	-	-	-	-	-	Organist.

April 1833.

*Thomas Loxdale*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF SOUTHAMPTON.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE mayor and bailiffs for the time being, by charter, 1553, June 4, were constituted "The Governors of the Grammar-school."

Dr. Capon, by his will, 31st July 1550, gave the corporation, for the erection and maintenance of a grammar-school - - - -	£.	100	£.	s.	d.
And the corporation pay the master for the interest thereof -	-	-	10	-	-
Edward Reynolds, in 1624, gave the corporation, for the use of the master of the school - - - -	20				
And the corporation pay the master for the interest thereof -	-	-	1	5	-
Bishop Reynolds, in 1677, gave 100 <i>l.</i> to the free-school, for which the corporation pay the master the interest thereof - - - -	-	-	5	-	-
The corporation pay the master an ancient salary of - - - -	-	-	10	-	-
	£.	120	£.	26	5

The school-house is let by the corporation to the schoolmaster at a pepper-corn rent for 99 years, if so long master.

*Almshouses.*—Seven almshouses for poor persons, situate in Grove-street, St. Mary's parish, Southampton; two of which are in lieu of two houses built on land given by Thomas Lister's will, by Richard Butler, mayor of Southampton, for pest-houses; and five are in lieu of five other almshouses built by Mallortie, in lieu of ancient almshouses in East-street, belonging to the corporation.

The corporation receive ground rents of three houses in York-buildings, near East-street, built by Mallortie, of 13*s.* 4*d.* each, making 40*s.*, which is paid to the inhabitants of the almshouses.

Lawrence Sedy and William Sedy gave 120*l.*

Lawrence Sedy's gift of 20*l.*, the interest of it to be paid six days before Christmas and six days before Easter, to the poor in Butler's Almshouses, 20*s.* each time; formerly 2*l.*, now 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

William Sedy's gift of 100*l.*, to find a preacher of quarterly sermons, and pay 50 poor persons (formerly 1*s.*) now 8*d.* each, to be paid by two wardens, to be yearly appointed, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; and to clergymen, 5*s.* quarterly, 1*l.*

Sir Thomas White's Gift.—The corporation receive from the corporation of Bristol a portion of Sir Thomas White's charity, founded in 1566; the sum of 104*l.* every 24th year; but sometimes they did not receive so much. Balance in the hands of the corporation, 627*l.* 0*s.* 5*d.*; to be lent in sums of 25*l.* There is now out on bond, 58*l.* 10*s.*

Wallop's Gift.—The corporation received, 17th September 1716, 100*l.* of the executors of William Wallop, esq., to be lent in sums of 20*l.* Balance in the hands of the corporation, 84*l.* Now out on bond, 16*l.*

Lynch's Gift.—The corporation appear to have in their hands 119*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*, part of a sum of 210*l.*, the gift of Mr. Lynch, to be put out in sums of 10*l.* each.

Steptoe's Gift.—John Steptoe, by his will, 20th February 1667, gave lands at Fawley, Hants, now consisting of several closes, about 22 acres, held by Mr. Drummond at a rent of 25*l.*, and lands at Yeovilton, in the parish of Milford, Hants, consisting of several closes, 26 A. 22 R. 21 P., occupied by the executor of Thomas Rivett, rent 40*l.* One third of these rents is disposed of by the corporation to the poor annually, and two thirds form a fund to be lent out in sums of 20*l.* to young beginners without interest, payable by instalments of 2*l.* annually. 1833, January 1: In the hands of the corporation, 1,607*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.*, to be lent out in sums of 20*l.* Sums due on bond, 953*l.*

Cornish's Gift in 1611.—Edward Exton gave the corporation 100*l.* by will for seven poor persons, men and women, to have a gown each, which the corporation annually give.

Gollop's Gift.—23 April 1650, George Gollop, by will, gave the corporation 200*l.* to provide yearly eight poor people, four men and four women, with cloth gowns, to be appointed by the mayor and aldermen, which the corporation annually give.

Catherine Reynold's Gift.—Catherine Reynold's executor, 18th January 1615, paid corporation 50*l.*, the interest to be distributed among 80 poor people, 2*l.* 10*s.*, which is paid by the mayor.

Parkinson's Gift.—22 October 1635, twenty pounds was given by Bridget Parkinson to the poor of the town, to remain as a stock in the hands of the mayor and aldermen, the benefit to be quarterly distributed by them to the poor. The mayor gives at Candlemas to the poor, 10*s.*, and at Christmas 10*s.*

Pemerton's Gift.—24 March 1632, George Pemerton delivered 150*l.* to the corporation, to pay 9*l.* to the poor, at the discretion of the mayor and justices. 3*l.* 15*s.* at Candlemas and Christmas, which is paid to the poor by the mayor and justices, 7*l.* 10*s.*

Rosse's Gift.—18 September 1657, Alexander Ross gave, by his will, in 1653, to the town of Southampton, 100*l.* 50*l.* to the use of the schoolmaster; 50*l.* to the poor of All Saints, out of which 10*s.* was to be paid for a sermon. The schoolmaster is paid 2*l.* 10*s.*; the poor of All Saints by the mayor, 2*l.*; rector of All Saints, for Christmas Eve sermon, 10*s.*

Mercer's Gift.—18 November 1661, 100*l.* was received of Paul Mercer's executors by the corporation, for which they were to pay 3*l.* half-yearly for ever to the poor of the French and English churches.

Which is paid, to the poor of the French church - - - -	£.	s.	d.
And to the poor, distributed by the mayor - - - -	-	15	-
	-	4	5
	£.	5	-

Delamotte's

*Delamotte's Gift.*—Mrs. Delamotte appears to have given the corporation a sum of money unknown, for them to give to 15 poor widows 30 s. yearly, and 30 s. to the minister of Holy Rhood. The mayor pays 15 poor widows at Candlemas 1 l. 10 s.; the vicar of Holy Rhood yearly, 1 l. 10 s.

*Bradsel's Gift.*—Mr. Bradsel appears, by an old table, to have given to the corporation a sum of money unknown, for them to pay the vicar of Holy Rhood yearly 1 l. 4 s.

*Jacomín's Gift.*—Mr. Jacomin, by an old table of charities, appears to have given 50 l. to the corporation, directing the yearly interest thereof to be given to 100 poor persons; which is paid by the mayor to 100 poor persons, 6d. each, 2 l. 10 s.

*Major's Gift.*—Major left 200 l., which with interest calculated in the Court of Chancery, made 728 l.; and in 1673, August 20, it was paid to the corporation, and an hospital for educating six poor boys, and to be used as a workhouse for the poor, was established; and 40 l. a year was secured by the corporation by rent-charge upon the messuages, lands, &c. of the corporation, described in an indenture of that date, to be paid to the churchwardens and poor children, which is now paid to the guardians of the poor within the town, by the authority of an Act for regulating the poor, 13 Geo. 3, 40 l.

*Mill's Gift.*—Nathaniel Mill, by his will bearing date 13th April 1636, gave yearly for ever,

	£.	s.	d.
To the poor of the parish of Holy Rhood, Southampton - - - - -	2	-	-
20 s. to be paid to 20 poor people on the 1st day of January, and 20 s. on the 1st day of July.			
To the poor of the parish of St. Michael - - - - -	2	-	-
20 s. on the 1st February, and 20 s. on the 1st August.			
To the poor of the parish of St. John - - - - -	1	10	-
15 s. on the 1st March, and 15 s. on the 1st September.			
To the poor of the parish of St. Lawrence, Southampton - - - - -	1	-	-
10 s. on the 1st day of April, and 10 s. on the 1st October.			
To the poor of the parish of All Saints - - - - -	2	-	-
20 s. on the 1st May, and 20 s. on the 1st November.			
To the poor of the parish of St. Mary, within the liberties of Southampton - -	1	10	-
15 s. on the 1st June, and 15 s. on the 1st December.			
To the yearly placing of four poor men's sons apprentices to some trade, at the discretion of the mayor of Southampton and his assistants for the time being, 8 l. (with each 40 s.), and to provide for each a Bible, a Prayer-book, a pen and inkhorn, which should cost 10 s. - - - - -	10	-	-
To the ministers of the town of Southampton for reading evening prayers, to be equally divided between them - - - - -	4	-	-
In case there should be no evening prayers, the said 4 l. to be given to the reparation of Holy Rhood church.			
To the lecture - - - - -	2	-	-
In case there should be no lecture on week days, the said 2 l. to be given to the minister of Holy Rhood church.			
To the repairs of Holy Rhood church - - - - -	2	-	-
To the master of the free-school, Southampton - - - - -	2	-	-
To four people of Southampton, four days before Christmas, four gowns or coats of cloth, costing 16 s. each, to be given at the discretion of the mayor and his assistants - - - - -	3	4	-
To the minister of Jesus Chapel, near Itchen Ferry - - - - -	2	-	-
To the repairs of Jesus Chapel - - - - -	1	-	-
To the poor of the parish of St. Mary dwelling over the water at Itchen Ferry, Ridgway, Weston, &c., out of the liberties of Southampton, at the discretion of the minister of Jesus Chapel and the collectors for the time being - - - - -	2	-	-
To a poor person of St. Mary's, in Itchen Ferry, Ridgway, Weston, &c., a gown or coat - - - - -	-	16	-
To be given four days before Christmas, at the discretion of the minister of Jesus Chapel and the collectors.			
To the poor of the parish of St. Lawrence, Winchester, to be given on New Year's Eve to 20 poor people - - - - -	1	-	-
And he directed that all the said sums should be yearly paid for ever out of his farm or manor of Woolston to the mayor and three of the most ancient aldermen of Southampton half-yearly, to be disposed of by them as aforesaid.			
He also gave to the said mayor and three aldermen for their pains, a pair of gloves each yearly, at the price of 5 s. per pair - - - - -	1	-	-
By a codicil to his will, bearing date the 20th April 1636, he gave to the poor people of the French church yearly for ever, out of his lands at Woolston - -	1	-	-
£.	42	-	-

The present owner of the farm and manor of Woolston is Mr. Thomas Chamberlayne. From the above-mentioned annual sum of 42 l., a deduction is made of 3 l. 17 s. 6 d. for land-tax, and the residue, being 38 l. 2 s. 6 d., is paid by his steward to the corporation, and is thus disposed of:

	£.	s.	d.
To the poor of Holy Rhood - - - - -	1	16	4
— St. Michael - - - - -	1	16	4
— St. John's - - - - -	1	7	3
— St. Lawrence - - - - -	-	18	2
— All Saints - - - - -	1	16	4
— St. Mary - - - - -	1	7	3
— St. Lawrence Winton - - - - -	-	18	2

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	£.	s.	d.
To St. Mary Extra - - - - -	1	16	4
To the French church - - - - -	-	18	2
To the minister of Holy Rhood - - - - -	3	12	8
To the same - - - - -	1	16	4
To the churchwardens of Holy Rhood - - - - -	1	16	4
To the master of the free school - - - - -	1	16	4
To the minister of Jesus Chapel - - - - -	1	16	4
Ditto - for the repairs of that chapel - - - - -	-	18	2
To the apprentice fund - - - - -	9	-	4
To the fund for providing gowns or coats - - - - -	3	11	8
To the mayor and three senior aldermen, for gloves - - - - -	1	-	-
	£.	38	2 6

*Peter Seal, sen., Gift.*—30 October 1664, Peter Seal's executor paid 100 *l.* to the corporation for the use of the poor children to be placed out, which is done by paying a sum of 5 *l.* yearly for apprenticing children accordingly.

*Peter Seal, jun., Gift.*—In a table of benefactions, it appears Peter Seal gave a sum unknown, for the corporation to pay a yearly sum of 5 *l.* for apprenticing two poor children (5 *l.*); which sum is yearly paid for apprenticing poor children.

*Knowles's Gift.*—30 May 1654, the executors of Mrs.\* Avis Knowles paid 50 *l.* towards binding two poor children of the town apprentices. The corporation yearly pay 4 *l.* in respect of it, towards apprenticing children, (4 *l.*)

*Searle's Gift.*—1738, William Searle, by will, gave 30 *l.*, the use of it to be given away in charity. This 30 *l.*, with an accumulation of interest, making 66 *l.*, was taken by the corporation at four per cent., making 2 *l.* 12 *s.* 9 *d.*, which is annually given away by the common council in charity.

*Knight's Gift, 1760.*—100 *l.* was laid out by Mr. Knight on a house of the corporation, for which the corporation agreed to pay 5 *l.* to the poor; which, with 23 years' arrears from 1762 to 1785, made 115 *l.*, at four per cent., making 9 *l.* 12 *s.*, which is now given away by the common council in charity.

*Freeman's Gift.*—6 April 1780, William Freeman, by his will, gave 100 *l.* to be placed out at interest, in trust to pay 5 *s.* to the town-clerk, and residue to poor inhabitants not receiving alms, by portions of not less than 10 *s.*

The interest, of 5 *l.* 3 *s.* 2 *d.*, is distributed by the common council in charity.

This 100 *l.* is secured with other sums, amounting together to 1,750 *l.*, by a mortgage made by the corporation to trustees of the audit-house and the market.

*Taunton's Gift.*—15 February 1752, Richard Taunton gave 1,400 *l.*, in trust to place it out at interest, in trust to pay the minister of Holy Rhood for reading prayers yearly, by four payments, 21 *l.* The residue to be paid to the relief of decayed aldermen or their widows.

He gave 100 *l.* to the corporation, the interest to be paid to the town-clerk for keeping the accounts.

The fund for aldermen and their widows accumulated for some years, and is now 3,229 *l.*, and is at present secured by mortgage to trustees of the corporation share of the port dues, and 256 *l.* 13 *s.* 3 *d.* in the Three per cent. Consols; and the dividends and interest are paid half-yearly in moieties to Mr. Rawcliffe, a decayed alderman, and Mrs. Durell, the widow of a decayed alderman.

*Fifield's Gift.*—8 December 1769, Silena Fifield gave the corporation 1,100 *l.* to be placed out, and the interest to be paid to keep the tombs in repair of her brother and sister, and to pay the mayor 1 *l.* 1 *s.*, and the rector of St. Mary 5 *s.*, and the residue to be laid out for clothing poor people; and also 200 *l.* to be placed out, and the interest to be laid out in coals, to be given to the pensioners of God's House at Christmas.

Annually clothing is given to the poor to the amount of 36 *l.* 2 *s.*, and coals to the amount of 6 *l.* 16 *s.*

The above sum of 1,300 *l.* is secured with other sums, amounting together to 1,750 *l.*, by a mortgage made by the corporation to trustees of the audit-house and market.

*Sadleir's Gift.*—2 March 1810, Richard Vernon Sadleir gave 350 *l.* to the corporation, to be placed out at interest and expended as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
1st class: to three men and four women, at 20 <i>s.</i> each - - - - -	7	-	-
2d class: to four men and three women, at 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> each - - - - -	4	13	4
Eight pensioners at God's House, at 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> each - - - - -	2	13	4
The minister, for the sermon - - - - -	1	-	-
The town-clerk, for keeping the books of entry, &c. - - - - -	1	-	-
Annual surplus to accumulate as a provision for the event of a national reduction of interest - - - - -	1	3	4
The presumed Sum to be given - - - - -	£.	17	10 -

Which are severally paid.

This sum of 350 *l.* is secured with other sums, amounting together to 1,750 *l.*, by a mortgage made by the corporation to trustees of the audit-house and market.

*Bird's Gift.*—1820, Miss Bird gave 1,400 *l.* Three per cent. Consols to the corporation and minister of All Saints, which now stands in their name, upon trust to pay the interest, 140 *l.* of which

which was sold to pay the legacy duty. Interest to be disposed of to six poor single women, 5*l.* each

And three guineas annually for a dinner	£. 30 - -
And 2 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> to be laid out in coals (Which dividends are received by the corporation, and the pensioners paid by the rector of All Saints.)	3 3 -
	2 17 -
£.	36 - -

22 March 1833.

Thomas Ridding, Town Clerk.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Southampton.

1812	John Butler Harrison, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Wine Merchant.
	The Right Hon. Brownlow Lord Bishop of Winchester.		
	Charles Hilgrave Hammond, esq., recorder	- - - - -	Barrister-at-law.
	Samuel Silver Taylor, esq., late mayor	- - - - -	Brewer.
	Henry Dawkins, esq.		
	Clement Hilgrove, esq.	- - - - -	Banker.
	Thomas Mears, esq.	- - - - -	Surgeon.
	Arthur Atherley, esq.		
	Thomas Durell, esq.	- - - - -	Banker.
	Sir Yelverton Peyton, bart.		
	George Henry Rose, esq. M.P.		
1813	William Edward Jolliffe, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Mercer.
1814	John Rawcliffe, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Wine Merchant.
1815	Richard Eldridge, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Timber Merchant.
	Arthur Atherley, jun. esq. M.P.		
	William Smith, esq.	- - - - -	Collector of H. M. Customs.
1816	William Lintott, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Merchant.
1817	George Atherley, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Banker.
	John Butler Harrison, esq.	- - - - -	Comptroller of H. M. Customs.
1819	Walter Raleigh Smith, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Collector of H. M. Customs.
1821	Stephen Lintott, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Merchant.
	The Right Rev. George Lord Bishop of Winchester.		
	Samuel Silver Taylor, esq.	- - - - -	Brewer.
1822	John Rushworth Keele, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Surgeon.
1825	William Edward Jolliffe, esq.	- - - - -	Mercer.
1826	Samuel Le Feuvre, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Collector of H. M. Customs.
1827	John Jolliffe, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Mercer.
	Richard Eldridge, esq.	- - - - -	Merchant.
1828	Joseph Lomer, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Grocer.
1829	James Bovill, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Timber Merchant.
	The Right Rev. Charles Richard Lord Bishop of Winchester.		
1830	Philip Carteret Fall, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Banker.
	Peregrine Bingham, esq., recorder	- - - - -	Barrister-at-law.
1831	George Atherley, esq.	- - - - -	Banker.
1832	William Oke, esq., mayor	- - - - -	Corn Merchant.
	Stephen Lintott, esq.	- - - - -	Merchant.

When the same name appears twice, it is when the same person was elected mayor, and afterwards a justice of the peace for life.

N. B.—The mayor is always a justice the year following, as late mayor.

#### CORPORATION OF SOUTHMOLTON.

##### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	How Acquired.	PURPOSES FOR WHICH GIVEN.
8 November 1597, Robert Brett, esq., gave all his portions of three shambles to William May and others, and their heirs, in trust for the poor inhabitants of Southmolton aforesaid.	By deed - -	- - The rents and profits to be applied from time to time for the use of the said poor inhabitants, as should be appointed by the mayor of Southmolton for the time being.
1615, Sir John Acland gave to the mayor of the borough of Southmolton an annuity of 2 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> , payable out of the sheaf tithes of the parishes of Churchstow and Kingsbridge, in Devon.	By deed-poll -	- - To provide weekly 13 penny loaves of bread, to be distributed every Sabbath-day, immediately after Morning Prayer, to 13 of the poorest sort of people of the said borough, as the mayor and four most ancient masters of the said borough should appoint.

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DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	How Acquired.	PURPOSES FOR WHICH GIVEN.
6 May 1628, <i>Joan Webber</i> gave to the poor people of Southmolton 30 <i>l.</i> , to be by her executor, William Punchard, bestowed in some ground or house. With this money a house, &c. was purchased.	By will - -	- - The rent of the ground or house to be distributed yearly among the poor people of Southmolton for ever.
3 March 1634, <i>Thomas Badcock</i> , by a codicil to his will, recites that he had granted a rent-charge of 20 <i>s.</i> per annum unto divers persons, for the poor of the parish of Southmolton, out of his lands in the said parish, for 2,000 years after his and his wife's death.	- - There is not any deed to be found; only a recital in the codicil to the will.	For the poor of Southmolton.
14 August 1641, <i>Agnes Badcock</i> gave to the mayor and capital burgesses of Southmolton, and their successors, a yearly rent of 52 <i>s.</i> , issuing out of a close of land (now called Barn Close) lying within the borough of Southmolton.	By will - -	- - For the use of the poor of the said town, to be bestowed by the sum of 12 <i>d.</i> weekly on Sunday, in bread, as the mayor and burgesses should appoint.
22 October 1678, <i>Jane Whittle</i> granted to Humphry Tiller and William Brooke, then overseers of Southmolton, three dwelling-houses, and all other her lands in Southmolton, for 1,000 years, in trust for herself for life, and afterwards to the use of the poor of the same parish, to the intent that they should, within some short time, by the advice of the mayor and capital burgesses, convey the said term to six or more substantial inhabitants of the same parish, to the same uses.	By deed - -	- - For the use of the poor of the parish of Southmolton.
20 April 1679, the said <i>Jane Whittle</i> , after reciting the above, and that the said Humphry Tiller and William Brooke had assigned the said premises to William Pyncombe and others, inhabitants of Southmolton, for the uses aforesaid, granted her reversion in the said premises to the said William Pyncombe and others, to the same uses.		
1744, <i>Mrs. Margaret Courtenay</i> charged upon her lands and houses in Southmolton, the payment of 20 <i>s.</i> a year to the poor for ever.	By will - -	To the poor for ever.
3 December 1793, <i>Joseph Palmer</i> gave to the corporation of Southmolton one deed-poll for 50 <i>l.</i>	By will - -	- - The interest, 2 <i>l.</i> per annum, to be laid out in bread, and given to eight poor families as follows: a 4 <i>d.</i> loaf to each family the first Sundays of the months of April, May, June, July, August and September, and a 6 <i>d.</i> loaf the first Sunday of the months of October, November, December, January, February and March.
22 January 1799, <i>William Gould</i> gave to the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton 10 <i>l.</i>	By will - -	- - The interest to be laid out in bread, and distributed every Sunday, for ever, to the poor of Southmolton.
21 October 1818, <i>Mary Jones</i> gave to the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton 30 <i>l.</i> , to be by them kept at interest for ever.	By will - -	- - The interest to be distributed annually, as they should think proper, in bread amongst the poor of Southmolton.
Application:—The annual rents and interest of these monies, amounting to 17 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i> , are distributed in bread to the poor as follows: viz. 42 penny loaves every Sunday, after Morning Service in the church, and 28 sixpenny loaves the first Sunday in every month.		
1615, <i>John Rashleigh</i> gave 100 <i>l.</i> for purchasing lands and tenements. A moiety of a tenement, called Snap Down, was purchased 22d October 1674 with the above sum, for the use of the poor of Southmolton.	By will - -	- - For the purchasing of lands and tenements, and the profits thereof to go to and be employed for and towards the relief of the poor of the town of Southmolton, by the direction of the minister and churchwardens of the said town.
By several persons 50 <i>l.</i> - - -	Unknown - -	Supposed for the use of the poor.
16 January 1634, <i>Lawrence Gibbon</i> gave 10 <i>l.</i>	By will - -	- - The interest to be given by the mayor to six poor men.
31 December 1722, (O. S.) <i>Richard Bawden</i> gave unto the poor of Southmolton 10 <i>l.</i>	By will - -	- - To be disposed of as his testamentary trustees should think fit.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	How Acquired.	PURPOSES FOR WHICH GIVEN.
25 February 1722, (O. S.) <i>Elizabeth Bawden</i> gave unto the poor of Southmolton 5 <i>l</i> .	By will - -	- - To be (with the preceding sum of 10 <i>l</i> .) paid unto the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton, to be by them kept at interest for the benefit of the said poor, so as the interest thereof yearly for ever, about Candlemas, be given to such poor.
13 July 1727, <i>Humphry Bawden</i> gave 10 <i>l</i> ., to be lodged in the hands of the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton aforesaid, to be kept at interest by them.	By will - -	- - The interest thereof to be given yearly, some time in February, to 10 poor persons of Southmolton aforesaid not receiving monthly relief.
17 September 1741, <i>John Gay</i> gave the sum of 5 <i>l</i> ., to be vested in the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton, and placed out at interest.	By will - -	- - The interest to be divided yearly amongst such poor persons of Southmolton as have no parish relief, and as the mayor and burgesses should think fit.
19 September 1741, <i>John Bawden</i> gave to the poor of Southmolton 5 <i>l</i> ., to be put out at interest; and he directed that the said sum should be paid to the same persons, and the interest of it given in the same manner as his grandfather <i>Bawden's</i> legacy to the said poor was ordered and directed.	By will - -	- - <i>Vide</i> first <i>Richard Bawden's</i> and <i>Elizabeth Bawden's</i> legacies.
<i>James Broad</i> gave unto the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton 20 <i>l</i> .	By will - -	- - The interest to be paid unto such poor persons yearly, in the Christmas tide, as they shall think most want it, for ever.
<i>Joseph Palmer</i> gave to the corporation of Southmolton 15 <i>l</i> .	By will - -	- - The interest to be distributed at Christmas yearly for ever, to seven poor inhabitants of Southmolton aforesaid that shall not have relief of the parish.
4 March 1745, <i>Richard Bawden</i> gave to the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton 40 <i>l</i> ., to be by them and their successors placed at interest.	- - By a codicil to his will.	- - The interest for the benefit of such poor persons inhabiting within the said borough, and not relieved monthly by the parish officers there, at such time and in such manner as the charity monies given by his deceased father ( <i>Richard Bawden</i> ) had for several years then last past been disposed of by the said mayor and burgesses.
<i>Nathaniel Sprigg</i> gave to the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton 100 <i>l</i> .	By will - -	- - To the use of the poor of Southmolton aforesaid.
1784, <i>Rev. Richard Bawden</i> gave 10 <i>l</i> .	By will - -	- - The interest to be paid to the poor every year.
15 March 1792, <i>William Jones</i> gave to the corporation of Southmolton and their successors 20 <i>l</i> ., in trust to place the same at interest.	By will - -	- - To distribute such interest among the industrious poor of the parish of Southmolton.

Application:—The annual rents and interest of the several sums, amounting to 18 *l*., are distributed, at Christmas and Candlemas, amongst the poor inhabitants, by the mayor for the time being.

1709, <i>Hugh Squier</i> , esquire, gave to the mayor and burgesses of Southmolton his right in the glebe and tithes of the parish of Northam, in Devon, and the fee of Upcot in Swimbridge, in Devon.	By will - -	- - To pay 40 <i>l</i> . per annum to the free-school of Southmolton, and find that school pens, ink and paper, and the residue, one moiety to Mr. Mayor in being, and the other moiety towards mending the highways in or near Southmolton, especially between the school-house and Mole bridge.
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Application:—According to the will of the donor, as above stated.

A Blue School was established in the year 1711.	- - Has been supported by annual subscriptions and donations.	- - To teach boys reading, writing and arithmetic, and girls reading, knitting and sewing, and also to clothe them annually.
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Application:—In clothing 45 boys and 20 girls annually, and teaching the boys reading, writing and arithmetic, and the girls reading, knitting and sewing.

## OTHER PROPERTY.

9th March, 6 Edward 4, *Robert Cope*, by feoffment deed of this date, gave, granted and confirmed to John Notte, Roger Molford, Robert Hone and John Fanner, all his messuages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services in the borough of Southmolton, in the county of Devon, to hold the same to them, their heirs and assigns, for ever, to the use of the commonalty of the town of Southmolton.

These, with other lands, were confirmed by the two charters of 32 Queen Elizabeth and 36 Charles 2, unto the mayor and burgesses, and by a decree of the High Court of Chancery, dated 12 November, 3 Charles 1, in a cause between Arthur Hutch, esq. and others, inhabitants, commonalty and poor of the said parish, complainants, and Hugh Hunt, the then mayor, and others, defendants; all the lands called the Common Lands, or Lands of the Commonalty of Southmolton, were decreed should be and remain to the mayor, burgesses and commonalty of Southmolton and their successors for ever, on condition of providing a house of correction within that borough and paying of an annual rent of 12*l.* reserved out of certain parcels of ground in the said borough, which sum should be delivered by the mayor for the time being to the overseers of the poor of the said town and parish, to be distributed by them according to the statute in that case made and provided.

The house of correction was provided and is still kept in repair, &c. by the mayor, burgesses and commonalty, and the said 12*l.* hath been paid ever since annually to the overseers of the poor.

The corporation are also in possession of several fields and houses, to which they are unable to set forth their title, but it is supposed were part of the lands of the before-mentioned Robert Cope. They are also in possession of other lands and tenements by purchase, of which there is no particular trust. The rents and profits of all the premises are laid out for the benefit of the commonalty of the town, in supporting a prison, market-house, town-hall, repairing parts of the streets, common wells and any other necessary improvement for the town. The accounts of receipts and payments are annually passed before the mayor, burgesses and common council of the said town.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Southmolton.*

Thomas Stevens, esq. - - Barrister-at-law.  
William Mackworth Praed,  
jun. esq. - - - - Barrister-at-law.  
James Pearse - - - - Attorney-at-law.  
James Pearse, jun. - - - Attorney-at-law.  
William Venn - - - - Surgeon.  
William Toms - - - - Clerk.  
William Binford - - - Surgeon.  
John Huxtable - - - Clerk.  
Humphry Aram Bryan - Doctor of Medicine.

Wm. Moggridge Stawell - Clerk.  
James Edward Jackson  
Riccard - - - - Attorney-at-law.  
John Elworthy Cutcliffe - Surgeon.  
William Binford - - - Attorney-at-law.  
John Nott Harding - - Surgeon.  
Lewis Southcomb - - - Attorney-at-law.  
Wm. Thomas Southcomb - Surgeon.  
William Flexman - - - Surgeon.

## CORPORATION OF SOUTHWOLD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are none within the control or at the disposal of the corporation:

## OTHER PROPERTY.

The manor or lordship of Southwold, with the rights, royalties, waste grounds and appurtenances, granted to the corporation by charter of King Henry 7, dated in the fifth year of his reign.

An estate in Southwold, consisting of 300 acres or thereabouts, of arable, pasture and marsh land, part thereof in the occupation of tenants, and the remainder thereof applied and used for the depasturing of the cattle of the inhabitants of the town, under certain payments and regulations annually made by the corporation; the principal part of which was devised to the corporation by the will of William Godell, dated 22d May 1509, and the remainder supposed to be part of the commons and waste lands belonging to the corporation.

A windmill in Southwold, let to a tenant at rack-rent, built upon the corporation lands.

A house and several shops in Southwold, let to tenants at rack-rents, lately purchased by the corporation.

An estate in Walpole, Suffolk, consisting of a farm-house and about 170 acres of land, in the occupation of Charles Denny, upon lease for a term of which three years are unexpired, which estate has for time immemorial been in the possession of the corporation, but by what title is not known.

An undivided moiety of 20 acres of land in Reydon, in the occupation of Samuel Plant, at rack-rent, upon lease, for a term of which eight years are unexpired, and which moiety was taken in exchange from Sir Thomas Gooch, baronet, in lieu of a parcel of land in Ben Acre, purchased from the funds of the corporation about the year 1642.

All the foregoing estates and property were originally given and purchased for the sole and absolute use of the corporation, and the rents and funds arising therefrom have been and are applied to the repairs of the church and chancel of the church in the said parish; to repair of the high roads and ways there; to the building and maintenance of the bridges, sea and marsh walls, sluices and other

other defences against the sea and river; the building and maintenance of the common gaol and town-hall of the said burgh, and of the farm-houses and buildings and other houses and buildings upon the said estates and property; to the payment of the salaries of the bailiffs and other officers of the corporation; the purchase of various buildings and lands, and sundry improvements upon the corporation property; for sundry law expenses incurred in the enforcement and vindication of the rights and privileges of the corporation, and the payment of the interest on monies borrowed by the corporation for many of the purposes above mentioned.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Southwold.*

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	OFFICE.
Charles Harvey - - - -	Esquire, Barrister, M. P. from 1813 to 1815.	High Steward.
Henry Jermyn - - - -	Esquire, Barrister, from 1815 to 1821.	- - Ditto.
James Jermyn - - - -	Esquire, from 1822 to the present time.	- - Ditto.
Robert May - - - -	Merchant - - - -	} Bailiffs, 1814.
Joseph Berry - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	
Henry Robert Gooch - - - -	Esquire - - - -	} - Ditto, 1815.
James Jermyn - - - -	Esquire - - - -	
Joseph Berry - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	} - Ditto, 1816.
Solomon Grout - - - -	Banker - - - -	
James Jermyn - - - -	Esquire - - - -	} - Ditto, 1817.
Thomas William Thompson - - - -	Merchant - - - -	
Joseph Berry - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	} - Ditto, 1818.
Solomon Grout - - - -	Banker - - - -	
James Jermyn - - - -	Esquire - - - -	} - Ditto, 1819.
Thomas William Thompson - - - -	Merchant - - - -	
Solomon Grout - - - -	Banker - - - -	} - Ditto, 1820.
Peregrine Edwards - - - -	Merchant - - - -	
James Jermyn - - - -	Esquire - - - -	} - Ditto, 1821.
John Arthur Kilwick - - - -	Lieutenant, R. N. - - - -	
Solomon Grout - - - -	Banker - - - -	} - Ditto, from 1822 to 1824.
John Sutherland - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	
Solomon Grout - - - -	Banker - - - -	} - Ditto, from 1825 to 1826.
Benjamin Philpot - - - -	Clerk - - - -	
John Sutherland - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	} - Ditto, 1827 and 1828.
Peregrine Edwards - - - -	Merchant - - - -	
William Crispe - - - -	Merchant - - - -	} - Ditto, 1829.
Joseph Berry Edwards - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	
Peregrine Edwards - - - -	Merchant - - - -	} - Ditto, 1830.
William Crispe - - - -	Merchant - - - -	
William Crispe - - - -	Merchant - - - -	} - Ditto, 1831.
Joseph Berry Edwards - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	
John Sutherland - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	} - Ditto, 1832.
Joseph Berry Edwards - - - -	Gentleman - - - -	
John Sutherland - - - -	Surgeon - - - -	} - Ditto, 1833.
William Ley Simmons - - - -	Commander, R. N. - - - -	

*W. Crabtree, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF ST. ALBAN'S.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

As to the charitable funds, &c. under the management of the corporation, I really cannot furnish it without very serious trouble and expense to the charities; and I must therefore beg to refer to the Commissioners of Charities, who, having recently investigated all the charities in this town, will be enabled to give the most accurate information on the subject.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*St. Alban's.*

George Watlington - - - -	Barrister-at-law (Recorder.)	Thomas Kinder, esq. - - - -	Common Brewer.
Richard West - - - -	Gentleman.	John Samuel Story, esq. - - - -	Solicitor.
William Tress - - - -	Banker.	Rev. James Carpenter Gape	Clerk.
Francis Searancke - - - -	Common Brewer.	William Brown - - - -	Gentleman.
Richard Webster - - - -	Surgeon.	John Wilde - - - -	Maltster.
John Newball Bacon - - - -	Grocer.	Rev. Wm. Mogg Bowen, D. D.	Clerk.
Thomas Foreman Gape - - - -	Esquire.	Samuel Jones - - - -	Gentleman.
Richard William Brabant - - - -	Solicitor.	Thomas Rogers - - - -	Surgeon.
John Thomas Lipscomb - - - -	Surgeon.	Richard Grove Lowe - - - -	Solicitor.

4 March 1833.

*Thomas Ward Blagg, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF ST. IVES.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no records, deeds or other papers in my custody, nor to my knowledge in the keeping of any other person, tending to show how the property possessed by the corporation of this borough, or any part of it, except the tolls of the markets and fairs, which are granted by the charter of incorporation thereof, was acquired; but it appears to have been in their possession from time immemorial. The funds and property of this corporation consist of the tolls of the markets and fairs, which are now let for one year at 168 *l.*; an annuity of 25 *l.* payable out of the dues arising from the present pier, as a consideration and in lieu of the proceeds of the ancient pier, to which they were entitled; and three freehold dwelling-houses, which for a century past, and for how much beyond that time does not appear, have been invariably leased for terms of years determinable on lives, reversions of which have been granted from time to time as the lives have dropped off, and which consequently are now full lived, producing to the corporation only trifling yearly rents, amounting altogether to 1 *l.* 3 *s.* These tolls, or rather the rent thereof, together with the annuity, and the conveyance or lords' rents, are received by me as the steward of the corporation, and are applied under their direction, in an allowance to the mayor to meet the expenses of his mayoralty; in the payment of the salaries of the serjeants-at-mace, and providing them cloaks and hats; in keeping the market-house, town-hall, and town prisons in repair, besides other incidental expenses; and also in the discharge of a debt of about 800 *l.*, with the interest thereof incurred thereon in the rebuilding, and which are not yet completed, of the market-house, hall and prisons, obliged to be pulled down not only on account of their dilapidated and decayed state, but of their insufficiency for the purposes thereof.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*St. Ives.*

Thomas Wallis, esq. deceased - Comptroller of the Customs at *St. Ives.*  
 James Halse, esq. - - - - - A Solicitor, who has ceased to practise, and is the present representative of the borough in Parliament.  
 Rev. John Arthur - - - - - Clerk.  
 Thomas Tremearne, esq. - - - Late Comptroller of the Customs, deceased.  
 Augustus Stephens, esq. - - - Collector of the Customs at *St. Ives.*  
 William Bazeley, gentleman - A Mercer and Draper.  
 Paul Tremearne, gentleman.  
 James Anthony, gentleman.  
 Samuel Stephens, esq. - - - Who has represented this borough in three Parliaments.  
 Richard Hichens, esq. - - - A retired Surgeon in the Horse Artillery.  
 Walter Yonge, gentleman - A practising Surgeon.

The office of recorder (who as such is a magistrate) has in the last 20 years been filled by Sir Christopher Hawkins, bart., and Edwin Ley, esq., a practising solicitor (the present recorder.)

The senior alderman, who as such is a magistrate, has been in the last 20 years, Hugh Edwards, gentleman, a solicitor, but who had long ceased to practise, and the before-named James Anthony and John Arthur.

16 February 1833.

*Wm. Highens*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF STAFFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of Property.	How Acquired, and for what Purpose given.	Annual Amount.	How Distributed.
Houses and lands in the borough of Stafford.	- - By charters and grants, for general purposes.	£. s. 9. 329 5 4	} Chiefly in repairs of the pavements, and keeping houses in repair, &c.
Market tolls - - -	The same - - -	125 - -	
House and lands at the Half Head, in the parish of <i>St. Mary</i> , in the county of Stafford.	- - Given by the will of the late Mr. Isaac Watton, deceased.	84 18 3	- - £. 5. to prefer some poor man's daughter in marriage, or for long service; 10 <i>l.</i> to put out two apprentices, and the remainder to purchase coals for the poor of Stafford.
Land at Fulford, in the parish of <i>Stone</i> , in the county of Stafford.	- - Purchased with two charities of 40 <i>l.</i> and 30 <i>l.</i> , given by William Farmer and Rebecca Crompton.	13 10 -	- - 5 <i>s.</i> each to six poor widows, and the remainder in coals to the poor of Stafford.
£. 710. 12. 3. Old South Sea Annuities.	- - Purchased by an order of Chancery, with 20 small charities.	21 6 4	- - Distributed, by a decree of the Court of Chancery, to poor burgesses of Stafford, in sums of 40 <i>s.</i> each, on <i>St. Thomas's</i> -day.
Lands and houses in the parish of <i>Castle Church</i> and other places -	- - Under letters patent, and grant of King Edward 6, who founded a grammar-school in the borough.	344 6 -	- - Two-thirds to the head schoolmaster, and one-third to the under schoolmaster.

Description of Property.	How Acquired, and for what Purpose given.	Annual Amount.	How Distributed.
Land, called Coton Field, adjoining the borough.	- - By lease from Mr. Fowler, in which is a covenant to convey in fee.	£. s. d. 46 10 -	- - £. 12. rent-charge to Earl Talbot, 28 l. to the poor in the almshouses in Stafford, erected by Sir Martin Noel, and 6 l. 10 s. in coals for them.
Various other small charities.	- - - - -	5 6 8	- - £. 1. 6. 8. to four poor boys in the grammar-school, called Nobles.
		2 - -	1 s. each to 40 poor persons.
		2 - -	Four poor widows, 10 s. each.
		1 10 -	Six poor widows, 5 s. each.
		2 12 -	1 s. a week in bread to the poor.
		2 - -	20 poor widows.
Glebe land, tithes, houses, moduses, &c. vested in the corporation as trustees for St. Mary's Church, under a grant of Queen Elizabeth, and received and applied by the churchwardens, who are two of the members of the corporation.	- - By grant of Queen Elizabeth.	737 5 10	- - To the rector of St. Mary's Stafford, 180 l. To the curate, 120 l. To the curate of Marston, 8 l. To the organist, 45 l. To the schoolmaster, 4 l. 5 s. To the sexton and church officers, 10 l. 17 s. Remainder in the repairs of the church, and other charitable works.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Stafford.*

Thomas Swinnerton, esq. - Recorder.	Joshua Drewry - - - - Printer	} Magistrates.
Henry Allen Wedgwood, esq. Deputy Recorder.	Edward Knight - - - - M. D.	
James Turnock - - - - Grocer	Robert Turnock - - - - Draper	
William Fowke - - - - Druggist	John Marsh - - - - Tanner	
Thomas Mottershaw Hubball Grocer	John Shaw - - - - Draper	
John Hubball - - - - Esquire	John Hawthorn - - - - Surgeon	
Francis Hughes - - - - Surgeon	Richard Hughes - - - - Surgeon	
Henry Rathbone - - - - Clerk	John Rogers - - - - Stationer	
1 July 1833.	Francis Brookes, Town Clerk.	

## CORPORATION OF STAMFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Walsham's Charity.*

£. 200 given by Mrs. *Mary Walsham* to the mayor and aldermen of Stamford, the proceeds thereof to be distributed yearly to the poor of the parishes of All Saints and St. George's, in the borough of Stamford, which is regularly done.

*N. B.*—The 200 l., in the year 1749, was laid out in the purchase of an estate in Stamford, the rents whereof were applied according to the intentions of the testatrix.

*Snoden's Hospital.*

*Richard Snoden*, clerk, in the year 1604, gave certain messuages and lands at Stamford unto seven poor widows of three score years of age, to be taken out of Stamford by the alderman (now mayor) for the time being, to have 7 d. a week paid to them for ever. The estate now produces 101 l. per annum.

An hospital has lately been built for the poor women to live in, and they receive the proceeds of the estate, except a small reservation made for repairs, &c.

*For Bread.*

*Anthony Acham*, in the year 1638, gave a rent-charge of 5 l. a year to the alderman (now mayor) and corporation, issuing out of the manor of Asterby and other estates in Lincolnshire, to be given to the poor of the town, and which is given in bread.

*William Bevill*, in the year 1638, gave 80 l., the interest to be laid out in bread, and distributed among the poor, at the discretion of the alderman (now mayor).

*Richard Warwick*, about the year 1672, gave 30 l. to the corporation, for the like use.

*Lady Buck's Money.*

About the year 1675, 60 l. left by a person of this name, the interest to be distributed to the poor of the parishes of All Saints, St. John and St. Martin, yearly.



*For an Exhibition.*

About the year 1700, a Mr. *Truesdal*, by will, left 100 *l.* to be distributed among the poor at his funeral; his executors refused to pay the money, and after a suit in Chancery instituted by the corporation, 50 *l.* was recovered, which they ordered to form a fund for an exhibition, and towards the maintenance of any freeman's son at the university which might be brought up at the free-school at Stamford, and should require the same, and in default of claim, to be to such other use as might be agreed upon. The interest as it accumulated was disposed of in that way; but there having of late been no claim, there is now a balance of 142 *l.* 10 *s.* in hand.

*All Saints, Calais.*

This is a very poor, inconvenient and dilapidated hospital, so called, in Stamford, the foundation of which cannot be traced, though tradition says it was originally supported by some revenues issuing out of property at Calais, when in the hands of the English. There are abodes for 12 poor women in it.—In the year 1707, *John Palmer* gave 30 *l.*, the interest to be given to them.—In the year 1702, *William Chamberlain* gave 20 *l.* for the like use.—In or about the year 1647, *John Wildbore* gave 10 *l.*, the interest of which has also been applied.—And in the year 1763, *Mary Torkington* gave 20 *l.* to the mayor, aldermen and corporation of Stamford, the interest to be paid to the inhabitants of this hospital.

*For Coals.*

Dame *Ann Thorold*, in the year 1682, devised seven acres of land in St. Martin's, Stamford Baron, to the minister, churchwardens and overseers of that parish, for the use of the poor thereof and the poor of the town of Stamford. The moiety of the rents payable to the poor of Stamford has, from about the year 1722, been laid out in coals, and distributed under the superintendence of the mayor, principally to poor widows.—*Sarah King* (period not known) gave 10 *l.*, the interest to buy coals for the poor.—*Edward Curtis*, in the year 1693, gave 20 *l.*, the interest to be applied for the like use.—And about the year 1627, *Roger Manners* gave 20 *l.*, the profit to be also applied in like manner as the alderman (now mayor) should from time to time think fit.

*Mrs. Chamberlain's Money.*

*Rebecca Chamberlain*, widow, in the year 1796, by will gave 200 *l.* to the mayor and alderman, in trust to pay the interest, viz. one fourth part equally amongst the inhabitants of Peter Hill Hospital; one fourth amongst the inhabitants of Williamson's Hospital; one fourth amongst the inhabitants of All Saints, Calais, and the remainder amongst the inhabitants of Snoden's Hospital.

This money was laid out in the purchase of 400 *l.* Three per cent. Consols, and the produce thereof regularly applied according to the will.

*Mr. Warrington's Money.*

*John Warrington*, deceased, by will dated 23d May 1806, gave to trustees considerable personal property for charitable uses, amongst which he directed them to pay the annual sum of 24 *l.* to the trustees or managers of All Saints, Calais, to be by them paid to 12 poor widows, receiving the benefit thereof half-yearly. This sum was reduced in the year 1827 to 20 *l.*, in consequence of the legacy duty having been claimed upon the property; and a further annual sum of 16 *l.* was given by the said will to the trustees or managers of Snoden's Hospital, to be paid to the poor widows receiving the benefit thereof, by half-yearly payments. The latter sum, from the above cause, is also reduced to 13 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.*

*Peter Hill Hospital.*

Was founded in the year 1770 by subscription: it contains eight rooms or habitations. The fund not being sufficient for the support of it, the managers, who were the subscribers, turned it over to the corporation in the year 1813. The sole revenue at present, exclusive of the other sources shown by this statement, is the interest of 200 *l.* secured on the Black Sluice Drainage, and an annual subscription of five guineas from each of the Members for the borough. The mayor is complimented with the filling up vacancies in this hospital as may arise.

*Mr. Fryer's Charity.*

*Henry Fryer*, esq., by will dated 20th January 1822, gave to trustees very considerable personal property for charitable purposes, and directed them to pay the interest of 1,000 *l.* stock to the trustees of Snoden's Hospital, for the equal benefit of the poor widows dwelling therein, to be paid to them weekly. The like sum to All Saints, Calais, and the like sum to Peter Hill Hospital. The sum of 33 *l.* 2 *s.* 1 *d.* is produced from the above investment to each of these hospitals annually.

*Monthly Bread.*

*Elizabeth*, Countess Dowager of Exeter, in the year 1628, paid 100 *l.* into the hands of the corporation of Stamford to establish a charity for the distribution of the interest in bread, monthly, to the poor of Stamford and St. Martin's, Stamford Baron.

*Apprentice Money.*

In the year 1609, *Thomas*, Earl of Exeter, granted a rent-charge of 41 *l.* 1 *s.* 8 *d.* per annum issuing out of lands in the manor of East and West Deeping, for the maintaining and putting out the poor children (to be born in Stamford) apprentice, under the direction of the alderman (now mayor) and common burgesses (now aldermen), not more than 5 *l.* to be expended on any one child.—In the year 1604, *Jane Kisby* gave 8 *l.* to be put out at interest, and the yearly produce to be given to the poor of Stamford. This interest has for many years been applied in augmentation of the above rent-charge, as also the interest of 20 *l.*, given in the year 1651 by *Henry Pastal*, who directs the same to be to the use of such poor persons of Stamford as the alderman (now mayor) should think proper. The foregoing revenue amounting, after paying land-tax and other deductions, to 35 *l.* 18 *s.* 8 *d.*, has been regularly applied, under the direction of the mayor and aldermen, according to the intent of the charity.

Trigg's

*Trigg's Money.*

In the year 1586, *George Trigg* gave to the alderman and burgesses (now the mayor, &c.) 400 *l.* to be lent out to the poorest sort of mechanics, in sums of 5 *l.* and 10 *l.*, none to have more than 20 *l.*, on security, without interest; which money has ever since been regularly applied according to the intent of the donor. There is now 314 *l.* out on security to 36 different persons, and 86 *l.* in hand ready to be advanced to any additional claimants.

*Weaver's Money.*

In the year 1655, *John Weaver* gave 100 *l.* to be let out to 20 persons of the poorer sort of tradesmen of Stamford, without interest, in small sums. Of this there is now 29 *l.* 10 *s.* out, in the hands of four persons, and a balance of 70 *l.* 10 *s.* in the hands of the mayor, the treasurer, ready to be advanced to future applicants.—*Francis Trigg*, clerk, in the year 1588, gave 4 *l.* per annum to buy barley to make bread for the poor of Stamford, and charged it upon a house there. The same to be distributed by the alderman (now mayor) and the warden of Browne's Hospital, in Stamford, for the time being. For many years, instead of buying barley, the 4 *l.* has been laid out and distributed in bread.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Stamford.*

*Charles Chaplin*, esq., Recorder, succeeded by the present,  
*Brownlow*, Marquis of Exeter, who was appointed Recorder in the year 1816.  
*James Torkington*, esq., Barrister-at-Law, Deputy Recorder, who died in the year 1827, and was succeeded by  
*John Hildyard*, esq., Barrister-at-Law, the present Deputy Recorder.

## Aldermen :

<i>Joseph Robinson</i>	- - - -	Late a Miller, who before his death retired upon his fortune.
<i>Thomas Cooke</i>	- - - -	Late a Saddler, who before his death retired upon his fortune.
<i>Samuel Coddington</i>	- - - -	Wool and Spirit Merchant.
<i>Jeremiah Belgrave</i>	- - - -	Grocer.
<i>James Bowker</i>	- - - -	Currier.
<i>Charles Keppenstall</i>	- - - -	Saddler.
<i>Thomas Harper</i>	- - - -	Late an Ironmonger, who before his death retired upon his fortune.
<i>Thomas Snow</i>	- - - -	Upholsterer.
<i>Richard Newcomb</i>	- - - -	Printer.
<i>Charles Lowe</i>	- - - -	Maltster.
<i>Lenard Stevenson</i>	- - - -	Surgeon and Apothecary.
<i>Thomas Simpson</i>	- - - -	Soap Manufacturer.
<i>Henry Parker West</i>	- - - -	Confectioner and Seedsman.
<i>Francis Simpson</i>	- - - -	Soap Manufacturer.
<i>Thomas Mills</i>	- - - -	Chemist and Druggist
<i>Richard Turnill</i>	- - - -	Maltster.
<i>Robert Hunt</i>	- - - -	Common Carrier.
<i>John Davis</i>	- - - -	Baker.
<i>William Kilner Scott</i>	- - - -	Late a Schoolmaster, who before his death retired upon his fortune.
<i>William Hunt</i>	- - - -	Ironmonger.
<i>Matthew Rooe</i>	- - - -	Bookseller and Stationer.
<i>Horatio Thomas Gilchrist</i>	- - - -	Miller.
<i>Edward Butt</i>	- - - -	Late a Draper, but now retired upon his fortune.
<i>Edward Askew</i>	- - - -	Late an Ironmonger, but now retired upon his fortune.
<i>Francis Jelley</i>	- - - -	Grocer.
<i>John Roden</i>	- - - -	Draper, the present mayor.

*P. Torkington*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF STRATFORD-UPON-AVON.

## CHARTER PROPERTY.

By charter granted by King Edward 6 to the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, dated the 28th of June, in the seventh year of his reign, it is recited that the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon was an ancient borough, in which a certain guild was theretofore founded and endowed, with divers lands, &c., out of the rents, &c., whereof a certain free grammar-school for the education of boys there was maintained and supported, and a certain almshouse there, consisting of 24 poor almspeople therein to be kept, was likewise maintained and supported, and a certain great stone bridge, called Stratford-bridge, built over the Avon, was from time to time kept up and repaired, which said guild was then dissolved, and the lands, &c. had lately come into the hands of the King, and were then in his hands. And further, that the inhabitants of the borough of Stratford aforesaid, from time immemorial, had had and enjoyed divers franchises, &c., by reason and pretence of the said guild, and by reason of charters, &c. of ancient time, made by the King's progenitors to the masters and brethren of the said guild and otherwise, which the said inhabitants could not then enjoy, for that the said guild was dissolved, and for other causes, &c., whereupon the inhabitants of the borough aforesaid had humbly besought his said Majesty that he would extend his grace and favour to them for bettering the said borough and the government thereof, and for supporting the great charges which they from time

to time were bound and ought to sustain and perform, and that he would esteem them, the inhabitants, worthy to be made, reduced and erected into a body corporate and politic. The charter then proceeds to incorporate the inhabitants of the borough by the name of "The Bailiff and Burgesses of the Borough of Stratford-upon-Avon;" and after ordaining the extent of the jurisdiction and the constitution of the corporation, proceeds to state that his said Majesty, desiring and willing that the almshouse in the said borough should be thereafter better maintained and supported, and that the free grammar-school for the instruction and education of boys and youth there should be thereafter kept up and maintained as theretofore it used to be, and that the great charges of the borough aforesaid, and to the same borough and to the inhabitants thereof yearly and from time to time incident, might be thereafter the better sustained and supported, granted unto the bailiff of the said borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, and to the burgesses of the same borough and to their successors, all those his messuages, mills, houses, edifices, cottages, lands, barns, gardens, cellars, sollars, chambers, halls, waste grounds, easements, rents, reversions, services and hereditaments whatsoever, with all their appurtenances whatsoever, then or late in the several tenures or occupations of [here follow the names of 71 tenants] situate, lying and being in Church-street, Chapel-street, Sheep-street, Bancroft, High-street, Ely-street, Ruthers-street, Greenhill, Wood-street, Henley-street, Wyndeford, Burge-street and Middle-row, in Stratford-upon-Avon, in the county of Warwick, and elsewhere wheresoever in Stratford-upon-Avon aforesaid, which were parcel of the possessions and revenues of the late guild of Stratford-upon-Avon, then dissolved; and all those rents and services, late parcel of the possessions and revenues of the said guild, and issuing out of the lands and tenements of [here follow the names of nine persons] in Stratford-upon-Avon aforesaid; and also all the tithes of corn, grain and hay, and other tithes whatsoever yearly arising in Wylmecote, in the county of Warwick, to the said late guild theretofore belonging; and also all that messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, then or late in the tenure or occupation of Richard Pace, situate in Shottery, in the said county of Warwick, to the said late guild belonging, and parcel of the possessions thereof; and all that croft of land, with the appurtenances, then or late in the tenure or occupation of John Elyatts, lying and being in Dodwell, in the said county of Warwick, to the said late guild theretofore belonging, and parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all that messuage and tenement with the appurtenances then or late in the tenure or occupation of Henry Samwell, situate in Burgetown, in the said county of Warwick, to the said late guild theretofore belonging, and parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all that croft of land and pasture, with the appurtenances, then or late in the tenure or occupation of Richard Sharpe, lying and being in Burgetown aforesaid, to the said late guild belonging, and parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all that the late chapel called the Guild Chapel, in Stratford-upon-Avon aforesaid, to the said late guild theretofore belonging; and all that the belfry to the said late chapel adjoining, and all the lead being upon the said late chapel and belfry; and all the bells being in the said belfry; and all and singular other the messuages, mills, houses, edifices, lands, tenements, meadows, feedings, pastures, tithes, barns, stables, dovehouses, yards, orchards, gardens, waters, watercourses, pools, profits, commodities, emoluments and hereditaments whatsoever, with their appurtenances, in Stratford-upon-Avon, Wylmecote, Shottery, Burgetown, Dodwell and Drayton aforesaid, and elsewhere wheresoever, to the said late guild of Stratford-upon-Avon aforesaid belonging, or as parts or parcels of the possessions or revenues of the said guild theretofore being, had, known, accepted, used or reputed; and also all woods, &c., and the reversion, &c., and the rents, &c., as fully, freely and entirely, and in as ample manner and form as any the masters and brethren of the said late guild, or any other person or persons, the premises, or any parcel thereof, had held or enjoyed, and as fully and freely, and in as ample manner and form as all and singular the said premises had come into the hands of his said Majesty by reason or pretence of a certain Act concerning divers chauntries, colleges, free chapels, guilds and fraternities to be dissolved and determined, passed in the first year of his said Majesty's reign, which said messuages, mills, tithes, lands, tenements, and all and singular other the premises, with the appurtenances, were then extended to the clear yearly value of 46*l.* 3*s.* 2½*d.*, to hold the same to the said bailiff and burgesses, and their successors for ever, to be holden of the said King, his heirs and successors, as of his manor of East Greenwich, in the county of Kent.

And his said Majesty further ordained that the almshouse in the said borough should thereafter be continued by the bailiff and burgesses of the said borough, and their successors, with 24 poor persons, men and women, continually to be maintained in the same; and that the bailiff and burgesses of the said borough for the time being should pay and deliver to every one of the said poor persons 4*d.* every week, and that the same poor people should have their habitations in the said almshouse, and all the lands, tenements, and other commodities, emoluments and profits which, beyond the said 4*d.* to every of them weekly, they had theretofore had and been accustomed to have. And further, that the said bailiff and burgesses should have the ordering and government of the said almshouse, and of the poor persons dwelling therein. And his said Majesty further ordained, that there should be one free grammar-school for the instruction and education of children and youth in the said borough, to be continued for ever, and that the said bailiff and burgesses should pay yearly to the schoolmaster of the same school 20*l.* for his salary and stipend, by equal quarterly payments, and that the election and appointment of the said schoolmaster should belong to the Duke of Northumberland, his heirs and assigns, lords of the said borough for the time being.

And his said Majesty further granted to the bailiff and burgesses of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, and their successors, all and all manner the tithes of grain and hay growing in the towns and fields of Old Stratford, Wellcombe and Bishopton, in the county of Warwick, then or late in the tenure of John Barker, and late to the College of Stratford-upon-Avon theretofore belonging, and parcel of the possessions thereof; and also all and all manner of tithes of wool, lambs and other small and petty tithes and oblations and alterages whatsoever, coming, growing or renewing within the whole parish of Stratford-upon-Avon aforesaid, and to the said College of Stratford-upon-Avon theretofore belonging, and then or late being in the tenure of William Barker, gentleman, or his assigns, and the reversion, &c., and the rents, &c., which tithes, oblations and alterages were then extended to the clear yearly value of 34*l.*, to hold the same unto the said bailiff and burgesses, and their successors, to be holden of his said Majesty, his heirs and successors, as of his manor of East Greenwich. And his said Majesty, by his royal supreme and ecclesiastical authority wherewith he was invested, did thereby grant to the said bailiff and burgesses that they and their successors should hold and enjoy, and to their own proper use convert, the said tithes, oblations and alterages, and every

every parcel thereof, as fully, freely and entirely, and in as ample and like manner and form, as the late warden of the said late College of Stratford-upon-Avon, or his predecessors in right of the same late college, the said tithes, oblations and alterages, or any parcel thereof, had held or enjoyed and converted to their own proper uses. And his said Majesty, for the considerations aforesaid, did thereby grant to the said bailiff and burgesses all and singular the issues, rents, revenues and profits of the said tithes and other the premises, to hold to the said bailiff and burgesses as of the gift of his said Majesty, without account or any other thing therefore to his said Majesty, his heirs or successors, in any manner to be rendered, paid or done.

In consideration of all which things, his said Majesty did ordain, and the said bailiff and burgesses for them and their successors did thereby grant, that they and their successors should yearly pay to a perpetual vicar, in the parish church of Stratford-upon-Avon aforesaid, by his said Majesty thereby to be incorporated, and by the said Duke of Northumberland, his heirs and assigns, lords of the said borough, to be nominated, and to his successors, vicars in the same church, 20 *l.* a year, to be paid by equal portions at Michaelmas and Lady-day, in the name of a certain yearly pension, for the endowment of his vicarage to be assigned and appointed; and also 40 *s.* a year besides the said 20 *l.* for the tenths of the same pension or endowment of the said vicarage, by the said vicar and his successors to be paid to his said Majesty; and also that the said bailiff and burgesses, and their successors, should yearly pay for ever to the master or teacher of the said school of Stratford-upon-Avon, by his said Majesty thereby likewise to be erected and incorporated, and by the said Duke, his heirs and assigns, lords of the said borough, to be nominated, and to his successors, masters or teachers of the same school, 20 *l.*, by equal portions, at Michaelmas and Lady-day; and that the said bailiff and burgesses should immediately after the sealing of the said letters patent, make or cause to be made several donations and grants, as well to the said vicar and master or teacher, and to each of them and their successors, for convenient houses, habitations or mansions within the said town of Stratford-upon-Avon, for the several habitations and mansions of the said vicar and master or teacher, by deed of the said bailiff and burgesses, under their common seal, and that the said bailiff and burgesses, and their successors, at their own proper charges, should yearly for ever find, give and pay to a chaplain, being a priest, in the said parish church of Stratford-upon-Avon, yearly for ever, to serve and assist the said vicar, 10 *l.* for his stipend and salary, and to be paid at Michaelmas and Lady-day by equal portions.

By subsequent charters granted in the 8th year of King James 1, the 16th and 26th years of King Charles 2, the privileges granted by the charter of King Edward 6 were confirmed, and the jurisdiction somewhat extended, and by the first charter of King Charles 2 the style of the corporation was altered to its present title; viz, "The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Stratford-upon-Avon."

It would be almost impossible at this distance of time to state with any degree of certainty what property now comprises the Guild Estate, and what the College Estate, as no distinct accounts of them appear ever to have been kept; but the following account will show what is the probable statement and amount of each of those properties respectively.

## INCOME OF THE GUILD ESTATE.

	£.	s.	d.
To one year's rental of houses, &c. in Church-street, Chapel-street, Sheep-street, Bancroft (now called Waterside), High-street, Ely-street, Rother-street, Greenhill-street, Wood-street, Henley-street, Wyndeford (now called Windsor-street), Burge-street (now called Bridge-street), and Middle-row in Stratford-upon-Avon	784	10	4
To one year's rents issuing out of lands and tenements in Stratford-upon-Avon, called the Bridge-rents	-	10	5
To one year's composition for the great and small tithes arising from 257 A. 2 R. of land in Wylmcote	39	3	9
To one year's rent of a messuage, tenement and garden in Shottery	16	-	-
To one year's rental of 59 A. 3 R. 7 P. of land allotted to the corporation under the Shottery inclosure award, in lieu of two yard lands in the open fields there	80	10	-
The messuage, &c. in Shottery, and the two yard lands are supposed to be the premises described in the charter as the messuage, &c. with the appurtenances in the occupation of Richard Pace, situate in Shottery.			
To one year's rent-charge, issuing out of half a yard land in Luddington and Dodwell, belonging to the Marquis of Hertford	2	13	4
It appears that the croft of land in Dodwell, granted by King Edward's charter, was by indenture, dated 9th December 1625, conveyed by the corporation to Lord Conway, in consideration of 210 <i>l.</i> then paid, and of this annual sum of 2 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>			
To one year's rent of a piece of land containing 1 A. 3 R. 33 P. in Bridgetown, which are supposed to be the premises described in the charter as a messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, in Burgetown, but there is no house or building now upon the premises	11	-	-
In the corporation rent-roll of 1597, these premises are stated to be in the tenure of Sir George Carewe, knight, and held by indenture, granted to Henry Samwell, and the messuage is stated to be then decayed.			
To one year's rental of land containing 33 A. 3 R. 3 P. in Bridgetown, which is supposed to be the croft of land and pasture in Burgetown granted by the charter	50	-	-
Total Income of the Guild Estate	984	7	10

INCOME OF THE COLLEGE ESTATE.		£.	s.	d.
To one year's rental of 171 A. 2 R. 35 P. of land allotted to the corporation under the award upon the inclosure of the open and common fields of Old Stratford, Welcomb and Bishopton, in lieu of the great and small tithes of the new inclosures, and of certain old inclosures in Stratford and Bishopton	- -	628	17	1
To one year's composition for the great and small tithes of certain old inclosures, containing about 50 acres, in the lordship of Old Stratford	- -	11	10	-
To ditto, ditto, containing about 24 acres, in the lordship of Welcombe	- -	3	8	-
To one year's composition for small tithes of certain old inclosures, containing about 500 acres, in the lordship of Clopton	- -	35	1	8
To ditto, ditto, containing about 1,160 acres, in the lordships of Bridgetown and Rhyne Clifford	- -	79	18	11
To one year's rental of 124 A. 0 R. 14 P. of land allotted to the corporation under the Shottery inclosure award, in lieu of the tithes there	- -	97	-	-
To ditto, of 33 A. 0 R. 37 P. of land allotted to the corporation under the Binton and Drayton inclosure award, in lieu of the small tithes of Drayton	- -	33	-	-
Total Income of the College Estate	- - - -	888	15	8
Total Income of the Guild Estate (brought down)	- -	984	7	10
To amount received for sittings in the market-house	- - - -	12	5	-
TOTAL INCOME OF THE CORPORATION	- - - £.	1,885	8	6
ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURE.				
By payments to 24 almspeople (12 men and 12 women), at 5s. each per week	- - - - £. 312 - -			
[4 d. per week by the charter.]				
By annual stipend to the schoolmaster of the free grammar-school	115 - -			
[20 l. a year by the charter.]				
By annual allowance to him to provide a dwelling-house	- - 30 - -			
By annual stipend to the vicar	- - - - 157 10 -			
[20 l. a year by the charter.]				
By ditto, ditto, to the vicar's assistant	- - - - 50 - -			
[10 l. a year by the charter.]				
By annual salary to the mayor	- - - - 80 - -			
By allowance to ditto for the mayor's garden	- - - - 7 7 -			
By allowance to ditto, in lieu of capon money	- - - - 8 16 -			
By annual salary to the chamberlains	- - - - 80 - -			
By - ditto - to the steward of the borough court	- - - - 10 - -			
By - ditto - to the town-clerk	- - - - 10 - -			
By - ditto - to the clerk to the justices	- - - - 5 5 -			
By - ditto - to the two serjeants-at-mace	- - - - 20 - -			
By - ditto - to the beadle	- - - - 12 12 -			
By - ditto - to the regulator of the town clocks	- - - - 5 5 -			
By one year's interest of 5,447 l. 10s. on bond, at 4 ½ per cent.	- 245 2 8			
This debt is supposed to have commenced at the time of the inclosure in 1775, to pay the expenses thereof, and has been subsequently increased by expenses incurred in re-edifying the chapel and the vicar's house, and in two tithe causes.				
By one year's land-tax	- - - - 29 7 9			
By annual payment towards the repairs of Stratford Bridge, as directed by Act of Parliament, 7 Geo. 4.	- - - - 30 - -			
MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS IN 1832.				
By subscriptions to charitable institutions	- - - - 10 5 -			
By law expenses incurred in defending an action brought against the corporation for preventing a public footway being encroached upon	- - - - 38 13 9			
By ditto for general business	- - - - 20 5 2			
By payments for repairs, &c. to the almshouses, the grammar-school, the vicar's house, the town-hall, the guild-hall, the guild chapel, the market-house, the prison, the poorhouse, the mill-bridge, and to the other property belonging to the corporation, not let on lease, and also for new buildings upon one of the farms	- - - - 257 13 1			
By expenses at dinners, &c. on the annual inspection of the corporation property, the perambulation of the borough boundaries, the two rent days, at which all tenants renting above 10 l. are entertained, the election of the mayor, and the audit of the chamberlain's accounts	- - - - 139 1 11			
By sundry small payments not reducible to any particular class, such as livery for the beadle, stationery, &c. &c.	- - - - 33 3 10			
By payment into a fund for the purpose of reducing the debt	- - - -			
		499	2	9
		150	-	-
	£.	1,857	8	2

The debt was some time ago considerably larger than at present, but has been reduced by means of a sinking fund, created for that purpose. Of late years, however, the money applicable to that fund has been considered to be better applied in effecting some improvements in the town. Within the last few years the corporation have expended upwards of 1,200*l.* in purchasing the interests of lessees and others in certain property, and have given up several houses not let on lease, for the purpose of being taken down to widen one street and to form another new street, in order to effect a more convenient communication between the old and the new town.

#### *Lord's Charity.*

By deed of feoffment, dated the 4th of April, in the first and second year of King Philip and Queen Mary, *Richard Lord* and *Emmota* his wife granted to *William Whateley*, bailiff of the town of Stratford-upon-Avon, *George Whateley*, high alderman of the same borough, *John Jefferys* the elder, *Robert More*, *Richard Hyll* and *John Jefferys* the younger, their heirs and assigns, a close or toft of land, with the appurtenances, in Stratford aforesaid, lying between two lanes there, called *Eversham Lane* and *Myll Lane*, to the use, intent and purpose contained in a certain schedule to the said deed containing the last will and testament of the said *Richard Lord* and *Emmota* his wife. The will is as follows :

This is the last will and testament of *Richard Lord* and *Emmota* his wife, touching and concerning the said close or toft of land, with the appurtenances. First, we the said *Richard Lord* and *Emmota* do will and ordain by this our last will and testament, that the said *William Whateley* and his co-feoffees shall yearly permit and suffer the chamberlain of Stratford for the time being to collect and gather the rents, issues and profits of the said close or toft of land, and the same yearly to bestow and distribute to the use of the four-and-twenty poor almspeople of Stratford aforesaid, at the discretion and appointment of the bailiff and chief alderman for the time being ; and that when the said *William Whateley* and other of his co-feoffees, to the number of three or four, shall die, then we will that the other three or two feoffees remaining shall make a new feoffment of all the said close or toft of land, with the appurtenances, to other honest discreet persons of the same borough of Stratford, and to their heirs and assigns for ever, to the uses, purposes and intents before limited and appointed in this present schedule of our last will.

By indentures of lease and release, dated 10th and 11th of October 1823, the heir-at-law of the surviving trustee in the preceding deed conveyed the said close or toft of land to the present trustees, all members of the corporation.

This close of land, now called "*The Poor's Close*," contains about 2 A. 3 R. It is at present let by the year, at the annual rent of 30*l.*, to a *Mr. John Allen*, who underlets it in small plots. The tenant pays the taxes and other outgoing, which amount to about 13*l.* annually, and keeps the fences in repair at his own expense. He complains, however, that the rent is now too high, and the trustees have it in contemplation to reduce it. There is also the sum of 1*l.* annually received by this charity from the trustees of *Tyler's* charity, after mentioned, being the interest of 20*l.*, for some timber cut down upon this land, and sold to the trustees of that charity in 1775 to assist in making the fences to the land allotted to that charity under the inclosure award. The total annual amount therefore now applicable to the objects of this charity is 31*l.*

This sum of 31*l.* is annually bestowed and distributed at Christmas by the chamberlain of the borough to the 24 almspeople, pursuant to the will of the donors. The corporation pay the expenses of conveyances to new trustees and other incidental expenses out of their general fund.

#### *Lucas's Charity.*

*Thomas Lucas*, by his will, dated the 30th April 1625, gave to *Daniel Baker* and *William Smith*, and their heirs, his house in Church-street or at the end of Chapel-street, upon trust that, satisfying themselves for their pains, they should yearly pay to the almspeople of Stratford the profit thereof ; and that in a short time before either of them should die, they should make a feoffment to divers other sufficient inhabitants to the same uses and upon the same trust.

By indentures of lease and release, dated 9th and 10th December 1818, the premises in question were conveyed by the last surviving trustee in the preceding deed to 12 new trustees, all of them then members of the corporation.

The house originally given by *Lucas* was many years ago taken down, and the present house built partly on the site thereof and partly on land belonging to the corporation. In 1818, *Mrs. West*, the present tenant, surrendered an old lease of the property to the trustees for the unexpired term of 15 years, upon which an annual rent of 1*l.* was reserved to the charity, and a new lease, the present one, was granted to her for 41 years, at the annual rent of 7*l.* to the charity, which rent was duly estimated and fixed upon by a surveyor employed for the purpose by the trustees.

This sum of 7*l.* is annually distributed at Christmas by the chamberlain, under the direction of the trustees, equally between the 24 almspeople. The corporation pay the expenses of appointing new trustees, and all other expenses incidental to the charity, out of their general fund.

#### *Sir Hugh Clopton's Charity.*

By indenture of settlement, dated 12th December 1732, *Sir Hugh Clopton*, knight, granted a rent-charge of 16*l.* per annum, payable yearly at Lady-day to the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, out of a farm in the parish of Hampton Lucy, in the county of Warwick, called *Ingon Farm*, to the intent that they should lay out the same in the buying and providing every second year 12 blue coats, of the value of 20*s.* each, for 12 of the almsmen, and 12 blue gowns, of the like value of 20*s.* each, for 12 of the almswomen. And further, that they should pay the vicar one guinea to preach a sermon in the chapel of the said town on the 29th of May annually, and also 5*s.* to the clerk, 12*d.* each to the said almspeople, both men and women, and lay out the residue of the said 16*l.* in straw hats and aprons for the said almswomen, or in such other manner as the said mayor, aldermen and burgesses should think fit.

The present proprietor of *Ingon Farm* is *John Gamaliel Lloyd*, of Welcombe, esq., from whom the rent-charge is now received.

	£.	s.	d.
Amount of two years' rent-charge - - - - -	32	-	-
Distributed and applied as follows :			
To the vicar for a sermon two years, at 20 s. - - - - -	2	-	-
To the clerk for two years, at 5 s. - - - - -	-	10	-
To the 24 almspeople for two years, at 12 d. each - - - - -	2	8	-
To 12 almsmen every second year a blue coat, a hat and a pair of stockings, the cost of which is 30 s. 6 d. each - - - - -	18	4	-
To 12 almswomen every second year a blue gown, an apron, a bonnet, a shawl, handkerchief and a pair of stockings, the cost of which is 22 s. each - - -	13	4	-
£.	36	8	-

The surplus of 4 l. 8 s. is paid out of the general fund of the corporation.

#### Turner's Charity.

By deed of feoffment, dated 16th October, in the 43d year of Queen Elizabeth, *John Turner*, gentleman, of Atherstone, in the county of Warwick, granted to Henry Wilson, Daniel Baker, John Smith and William Wyatt, all of Stratford-upon-Avon, their heirs and assigns, a tenement situate in Wood-street, and another tenement situate in Henley-street, in Stratford aforesaid, to hold the same to the use of himself for life, and after his death to the use and intent of fulfilling the last will of the said John Turner, contained, set forth and declared in a certain schedule annexed to the said deed.

In the said schedule, the intent of the said deed is declared to be, and the said John Turner did will and ordain by that his last will and testament, that the said Henry Wilson and his co-feoffees should stand seised of the said two tenements to the use of the said John Turner for life, and after his death to the use of the poor inhabitants of Stratford aforesaid, that is to say, that the said feoffees or one of them, their heirs or assigns, should yearly receive the rents and profits of the said two tenements, and yearly bestow and distribute the same in bread to the use of the said poor inhabitants of Stratford, one half at Christmas, and the other half on Good Friday; and that when three of the said feoffees should die, the survivor should make a new feoffment of the said two tenements with the appurtenances, to other four honest discreet persons or more of the same borough of Stratford, and to their heirs and assigns, to the uses before appointed in that schedule of his last will.

By indentures of lease and release, dated 28th and 29th December 1798, which is the last conveyance of this property, the two surviving trustees in the preceding deed conveyed all those two tenements now used as one tenement, situate in the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, one in Wood-street, and the other adjoining to the same in Henley-street, to eight new trustees, all of them members of the corporation, three of whom only are now alive.

The house is let by the year to Mr. Francis Beaumont, who also occupies the adjoining house, belonging to the corporation.

The annual rent payable to the trustees of the charity is 5 l. The tenant keeps the premises in repair at his own expense, and the corporation pay all other incidental expenses out of their general fund.

This sum of 5 l. is disposed of annually in the purchase of sixpenny loaves, which are distributed on Christmas-eve by the chamberlain, with the assistance of the overseers, to poor people of Stratford.

#### John Combe's Charity.

*John Combe*, by his will, which was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury the 10th November 1615, gave to his cousin Thomas Combe, his heirs and assigns for ever, all his meadow ground, with the appurtenances, in Shottery Meadow, to the uses following, viz. that he and they should yearly for ever pay to a learned preacher 20 s. to make a sermon twice a year at Stratford Church aforesaid; and also should yearly for ever, one week before Christmas, give and deliver to such poor people within the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon as should be yearly appointed and elected by the bailiff and chief alderman for the time being of the said borough, and two of the ancientest aldermen, 10 black gowns, every one of them worth 13 s. 4 d.; and on non-payment of the said 20 s. or non-delivery of the said gowns, he empowered the bailiff and burgesses of the said borough and their successors for the time being, to enter into the said meadow ground, and to take the issues and profits thereof, and thereout to pay, give and satisfy the said yearly sum of 20 s., and the arrearages, if any, together with the said gowns, as should be behind and undelivered.

By the award on the inclosure of Shottery Fields in 1787, an allotment of 9 A. 3 R. 24 P. was made to Francis Brownsword Bullock, esq., in lieu of the property there which had belouged to John Combe, and was charged by his will with the above payments.

The land allotted is now the property of Francis Ferdinando Bullock, esq.

	£.	s.	d.
Total amount given - - -	7	13	4
Distributed and applied as follows :			
To the vicar for the two sermons - - - - -	1	-	-
To 10 poor people, selected annually one week before Christmas, by the mayor and chamberlain, a black gown and flannel petticoat, of the cost of 13 s. 4 d. - -	6	13	4
£.	7	13	4

#### Thomas Combe's Charity.

*Thomas Combe*, by his will, dated 20th June 1656, devised to his cousin William Combe, his heirs and assigns for ever, all his tithes called Drayton Tithes, and a parcel of meadow ground in Drayton Meadow, called the Parson's Piece, to the intent that the said William Combe, his heirs and assigns, should yearly for ever, at or before the 17th of December, give and deliver unto such 10 poor aged and



and impotent men and women within the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon (whereof such as were almsmen and women in Stratford-upon-Avon, or such as wore gowns the year before by his uncle John Combe's bequest, to be none) as should be yearly appointed and elected by the bailiff and chief alderman and two other of the ancientest aldermen of the said borough, 10 black gowns marked with the letters T. and C. in white colours on their breasts and backs, every one of them worth 13 s. 4 d. a piece; that such 10 poor people should attend and follow the bailiff, aldermen and burgesses each Sabbath-day to church and from church for the year ensuing in such their gowns, if not hindered at any time by sickness or disability of body; and that any notorious negligent person of such order and attendance should be for ever after such neglect disabled and incapable of any benefit by that bequest; and also that none of the said 10 persons should have gowns two years together, but the persons should be changed every year; and also that the said William Combe, his heirs and assigns, should yearly pay to a learned preacher the sum of 20 s., to make two sermons yearly in the parish church of Stratford aforesaid, the one upon every 10th day of June, and the other on every 25th day of December; and on failure by the said William Combe, his heirs or assigns, to buy and deliver yearly the said gowns or to pay the said 20 s. yearly, power is given by the will to the said bailiff and chief alderman of the said borough and their successors, from time to time to enter upon the said meadow ground and tithes, and to receive the rents and profits thereof, and to pay and satisfy the arrears of all the said annuities and gift.

He also directed that the said William Combe should yearly, out of the rents and profits of the tithes of Drayton, pay to the bailiff of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon the sum of 50 s. to provide a dinner yearly for the bailiff and burgesses of the said borough, on every 12th day of June, with power of entry and distress.

By the Drayton Inclosure Award, dated in 1779, an allotment of land was made to Francis Brownsword Bullock, esq., in respect of the tithes of Drayton, which land now belongs to Francis Ferdinando Bullock, esq. before mentioned, as does also the piece of ground called Parson's Piece.

Total amount given - - - £. 10 3 4

Distributed and applied as follows:

To 10 poor, aged and impotent women of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon (not being almspeople, or such as wore gowns the year before by John Combe's charity)				
a black gown and flannel petticoats, of the cost of 13 s. 4 d.	-	-	-	-
To the vicar, for two sermons	-	-	-	-
To the corporation, for a dinner	-	-	-	-
	£.	10	3	4

#### *Tyler's Charity.*

William Tyler, by his will, dated 6th July 1665, gave to the mayor and chief alderman of the town of Stratford-upon-Avon, where he was born, the sum of 200 l., to be paid to them by his executors within 12 months next after his decease, upon condition that they entered into a bond with 400 l. penalty to his executors, to be conditioned that they or one of them should, within 12 months next after the receipt of the same, purchase good freehold land of inheritance of the clear yearly value of 12 l. per annum, which said 12 l. per annum he willed should be given and disposed unto and amongst 12 such poor persons inhabiting within the said town, as neither were nor should be inhabiting in the almshouses there, viz. to each of the 12 persons 20 s. a-piece; that is to say, 10 s. thereof on the feast-day of St. John the Baptist, and the other 10 s. on the feast-day of St. Thomas the Apostle, in each and every year successively for ever; but in case they or one of them should happen not to purchase land of the said clear value within the time above limited, then his express mind was thereby declared to be, that they should be liable to the payment of the said 200 l. by virtue of the said bond, and should pay the same to his executors, to the end that they should do and perform as they the said mayor and chief alderman were or ought to have done and performed.

He also gave to the said mayor and chief alderman the sum of 50 l. more, upon condition that they should lay out the same in the purchasing of good freehold land of inheritance of the clear yearly value of 3 l. per annum, and that they should give bond for the same in manner before mentioned with respect to the 200 l., upon trust and to the intent that 15 s. yearly for ever should be given and paid to such minister of the same town as should preach a sermon yearly on the feast-day of St. Thomas the Apostle, in commemoration of him the testator, and to the clerk and sexton successively of the same place, the further sum of 2 s. 6 d. a-piece on the same feast-day; and to the further intent that the said mayor and chief alderman, and their successors, yearly for ever should have and receive the other 40 s., residue of the said 3 l., to be expended in a collation or dinner on the said feast-day yearly for ever, for their pains in the performing of the said several trusts, and as a remembrance of his love unto them.

By indenture, dated 11th October 1669, between Edward Attwood, John Attwood his son and heir-apparent, and Martha his wife, one of the daughters and co-heirs of William Venner, deceased, and Thomas Attwood, brother of the said Edward Attwood, of the first part, William Lindon, the then mayor of the said borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, and Thomas Taylor, the then chief alderman of the said borough, of the second part, John Walmer, Francis Oldfield, Simon Gale, Thomas Hill, Benjamin Foans, Thomas Horne and Francis Haddock, of the third part; after reciting the said will, so far as regarded the before-mentioned bequest of 200 l., and also that the testator died not long after making the same, and that after his death Stephen Burman, one of the executors, paid the said sum of 200 l. to the said Thomas Hill, then mayor, and Francis Oldfield, then chief alderman, parties to that indenture; and further reciting certain articles of agreement, made 3d September 1668, between the said Edward Attwood and John Attwood, and Martha his wife, of the one part, and the said Thomas Taylor, then mayor of the said borough, and the said Thomas Hill, then chief alderman of the said borough, whereby the said Edward Attwood, John Attwood, and Martha his wife, for the consideration of 237 l. 10 s., agreed to settle and assure to the said Thomas Taylor and Thomas Hill, or to such as they should appoint, the lands and hereditaments thereinafter mentioned, and the said Thomas Taylor and Thomas Hill, in pursuance of the trust reposed in them by the said William Tyler, agreed to purchase the said lands and hereditaments with the said 200 l. so bequeathed by the said William Tyler aforesaid, and with other 37 l. 10 s.; it is witnessed, that the parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of 237 l. 10 s. to them



paid by the said parties of the second and third parts, or by some of them, the said parties of the first part did thereby grant and enfeof to the said parties of the third part, all that their one yard land, or third part, in three parts to be divided, of three yard lands of arable land, meadow and pasture, more particularly in a schedule thereto annexed mentioned, and consisting of threescore and two lands, sellions or ridges of arable land, one fisher and two leys in the Homme or Hamme every year, one yard and a quarter every other year in the said Homme, otherwise Hamme, two poles and a quarter in Welcombe Meadow, and six poles and a half one year, and six poles and a quarter each other year, in Broad Meadow, of meadow ground, and common of pasture for two horses, six Rother beasts and 50 sheep, all of which said yard, land and premises were situate and being, and to be had, taken and enjoyed in the fields, hamlets, precincts and parishes of Old Stratford, Welcombe and Bishopton, or in some or one of them, in the county of Warwick, to hold to the grantees, their heirs and assigns, to their only use for ever, upon trust nevertheless that they, their heirs and assigns, should give and dispose so much of the yearly rents, issues and profits of the said yard land and premises as should amount to the clear yearly value of 12 *l.*, to and amongst 12 such poor persons, inhabiting within the said town of Stratford-upon-Avon, as neither were nor should be inhabiting in the almshouse there; viz. to each of the said 12 persons 20 *s.* a year; 10 *s.* on the feast of St. John the Baptist, and 10 *s.* on the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, according to the will of the said William Tyler.

Then follows an agreement between the parties, that when four of the said trustees or their successors, to be after named, should die or depart from the said borough, it should be lawful for the mayor and chief alderman of the said borough, together with the residue of the trustees then living, to choose seven other persons to be seoffees, and that after such election, such of the seoffees as should be then living, should, at the request and charges of the mayor and chief alderman of the said borough, convey the said premises to the said seven persons so newly chosen.

And further, a proviso that the two chamberlains of the said borough should be proctors and collectors of the rents and profits of the said premises, and should distribute and pay them in manner before mentioned, and should, on Friday next after the feast of the Epiphany, yield a true account of their receipts and disbursements to the said mayor and chief alderman for the time being, and deliver the overplus money to the two new chamberlains.

There is no subsequent deed relating to this charity to be found, and at the time of the inclosure of the open and common fields of Stratford, Welcombe and Bishopton, in the year 1774, no trustees of the charity being then living, the allotments made in respect of the charity lands (all of which lay in the open fields) were awarded to the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon. The mayor and the two senior aldermen had for a considerable time prior to that award, and have ever since had the general management of the charity, but the assent of the corporation, testified by their common seal, is always obtained on granting leases, &c. as a confirmation of the acts of the trustees.

It is supposed that the 37 *l.* 10 *s.*, which made up the purchase-money beyond the 200 *l.*, was part of the additional 50 *l.* given by Tyler for the purchase of land, but that fact cannot now be ascertained.

The land set out and awarded to the corporation for this charity consisted of two allotments, the first allotment containing 9 A. 3 R. 20 P., and the second allotment, 2 R. 8 P., making together 10 A. 1 R. 28 P., which land is now let out in the following parcels:

A close of land, containing 2 A. 2 R. 14 P., let to Isaac Gardner, as yearly tenant, at the annual rent of - - - - -	£. s. d.
A small garden, containing 1 R. 39 P., and buildings, which the tenant has erected at his own expense, on lease to the said Isaac Gardner, from Michaelmas 1821, for 42 years, at the yearly rent of - - - - -	15 - -
A garden, containing 2 A. 1 R. 4 P., let to Joseph Smith, as yearly tenant, at the annual rent of - - - - -	5 5 -
A garden, containing one acre, let to William Butcher, upon which the tenant has, pursuant to agreement, at his own expense, built a house and out-offices, at a cost of 400 <i>l.</i> , on lease, from Michaelmas 1831, for 99 years, at the annual rent of - - - - -	24 - -
A garden, containing about 1 R. 36 P., let to Henry Hyde, as yearly tenant, at - - - - -	12 - -
A piece of garden ground, let to John Tasker, as yearly tenant, at - - - - -	5 - -
Two - - ditto - - let to John Hitchman - ditto - - - - -	3 - -
One - - ditto - - let to William Harrison - ditto - - - - -	6 - -
These three last pieces contain together about 1 A. 1 R. 32 P.	4 - -
A piece of garden ground, containing about 1 R. 23 P., let to William Izod, as yearly tenant, at - - - - -	6 7 -
Land taken by the Stratford Canal Company, for the purposes of the navigation, about one acre - - - - -	12 - -
	£. 92 12 -

Distributed and applied as follows:

To 12 poor inhabitants of the town (not inhabiting the almshouses), selected by the magistrates for the year, 4 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> each annually, by two equal payments, on the feasts of St. John the Baptist and St. Thomas the Apostle - - - - -	55 4 -
To the vicar, for a sermon on St. Thomas's-day - - - - -	4 6 3
To the clerk - - - - -	15 -
To the sexton - - - - -	15 -
To the mayor, &c., for a dinner on that day - - - - -	11 11 -
To one year's interest of 20 <i>l.</i> , the purchase-money of some timber cut down on Lord's Charity, before mentioned - - - - -	1 - -
To land-tax - - - - -	1 2 5
Lost to the charity in one year, by the failure of two tenants, viz. Joseph Smith, 24 <i>l.</i> , and Henry Hyde, 5 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	74 13 8
	£. 103 13 8

In consequence of several losses sustained by this charity from tenants who occupied the garden ground failing, and leaving nothing on the premises whereon to levy a distress, the trustees have determined to let out the land upon building leases, and have already leased a portion of it, and agreed to let other parts thereof, all of them for increased rents, and upon terms which the trustees consider most advantageous to the charity.

*Smith's Charity.*

By indenture of feoffment, dated 14th June 1695, *Richard Smith*, citizen and grocer, of London, conveyed to John Woolmer, mayor of the borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, and others, being aldermen and capital burgesses of the said borough, their heirs and assigns, two messuages or tenements situate in Henley-street, in the said borough, therein described, upon trust out of the rents and profits thereof, weekly for ever upon the Lord's-day, at the parish church of Old Stratford, to give and dispose of 12 penny loaves of bread to 12 poor inhabitants of the said borough of Stratford-upon-Avon, and six penny loaves of bread to six poor inhabitants of the parish of Old Stratford; and also out of the said rents and profits to pay yearly to the minister of the parish church of Stratford for the time being the sum of 10 s. to preach a sermon in the chapel of the said borough of Stratford, upon the first Wednesday in September, before the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the said borough, being the usual day of election of mayor there, or upon what other day they should elect the mayor; and likewise to the clerk or sexton of the said parish of Old Stratford the sum of 1 s. Then follows a provision for the election of new feoffees.

By indenture of release, dated 4th October 1820, which is the last conveyance relating to this charity, the premises, then divided into four tenements, were conveyed to 12 new trustees, all of them members of the corporation, and the majority of whom are now alive.

In the year 1820, these four houses, then lately let at 32 l. 10 s. per annum, being in very bad repair, were let upon lease to William Allcock, from Michaelmas 1820 for 42 years, at 30 l. per annum; one of the considerations for which the said lease was granted being stated to be, that the tenant had at his own expense taken down the old houses and erected new houses on the site, at a cost of 500 l. at the least. This lease has since been assigned to Mr. Joseph Dolby, who is the present tenant.

Eighteen penny loaves are sent every Sunday to the church, of which 12 are given to poor inhabitants of the borough, and six to poor inhabitants of the parish. They are given away by the parish clerk under the direction of the churchwardens:

	£.	s.	d.
To 12 poor inhabitants of the borough, 52 penny loaves each - - - - -	2	12	-
To six poor inhabitants of the parish, 26 ditto - - - - -	1	6	-
To the vicar, for a sermon on the mayor's election - - - - -	-	10	-
To the clerk - - - - -	-	1	-
To balance to the corporation general fund - - - - -	25	11	-
£.	30	-	-

*Chandler's Charity.*

*Richard Chandler*, but at what time not known, gave 100 l. to the borough of Stratford, to buy land, the increase thereof to be disposed of, viz. 20 s. to the minister to preach a sermon concerning the excellency of baptism in the chapel, on the 20th of March yearly, unless it should fall on a Sunday, and then on the next day following; 30 s. to be distributed to the poor of the borough yearly by the churchwardens of the same; 2 l. 10 s. yearly for their pains, and the overplus to be laid out in clothing for poor children of the borough.

Nothing is known of what was done with this 100 l., but the corporation make the following annual payments:

	£.	s.	d.
To the vicar, for a sermon on the 20th of March - - - - -	1	-	-
To the clerk and sexton - - - - -	-	10	-
To coats for six poor boys attending the National School, who are recommended by the master as most deserving - - - - -	4	-	-
£.	5	10	-

*Hatton's Charity.*

The returns under Gilbert's Act mention a gift in money by ——— *Hatton*, the date of which is unknown, for teaching 12 poor children, and which is stated to have been then in the hands of the corporation, producing 5 l. 4 s. a year. The corporation pay annually in support of the National School established in Stratford the sum of 5 l. 4 s., which is supposed to be on account of this charity.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—Stratford-upon-Avon.

1812 John Lord - - - Gentleman.	1821 James Saunders - Gentleman.
Austin Warrilow - Schoolmaster.	1822 Thomas Burman - Mercer and Draper.
John Payton - - - Gentleman.	1823 Benjamin Townsend, Schoolmaster.
John Edwards - - - Cooper.	1824 John Lord - - - Gentleman.
1813 Robert Mander - - - Grocer.	1825 John Conolly - - - Doctor in Medicine.
1814 John Hitchman - - - Currier.	1826 John Mills - - - Gentleman.
1815 Thomas Sanders - Tanner.	1827 John Higgins - - - Gentleman.
1816 Thomas Sanders - Tanner.	1828 William Chattaway - Banker.
1817 John Andrew Holmes, Schoolmaster.	1829 Thomas Ashwin - Mercer and Draper.
1818 Thomas Mills - - - Surgeon.	1830 William Smith - - - Druggist & Grocer.
1819 William Burman - - - Druggist & Grocer.	1831 James Pritchard - Surgeon.
1820 William George Morris, Banker.	1832 Thomas Mills - - - Surgeon.

16 March 1833.

W. O. Hunt, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF SUDBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Property.	How Given.	Purpose for which Given.	How Distributed.
Four acres of land in Sudbury; let for 8 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- Given by the will of Rich. Firmin, dated 2d Nov. 1614.	-- To be distributed among the poor in bread by mayor and aldermen or churchwardens of St. Peter, in Sudbury.	-- Distributed according to the will by the churchwardens of St. Peter.
A messuage or inn, called the George, in Sudbury; let for 32 <i>l.</i> a year.	-- Given by the will of Nathaniel King to the poor, but to be let by the mayor and aldermen. Will dated 15th April 1668.	-- To be distributed amongst the poor of Sudbury in bread and coats by the churchwardens of St. Peter; and 4 <i>s.</i> in wine.	-- Distributed according to the will by the churchwardens of St. Peter.
£. 100. stock new four per cents., now increased to 200 <i>l.</i> like stock.	-- Given by will of John Cradock about 1718, then 100 <i>l.</i>	-- Interest to be distributed amongst the poor of the parishes of St. Gregory and St. Peter, Sudbury, by the minister and mayor and aldermen.	-- Distributed according to the will by the minister of St. Gregory and St. Peter, and mayor and aldermen.
Thirty shillings yearly, charged on lands and tenements in Pentlowe, Essex.	-- Given by will of Robert Paternoster, dated 6th Oct. 1591.	-- To be distributed amongst the poor of Sudbury under the direction of the mayor.	-- Distributed according to will, under mayor's direction, by the churchwardens.
Twenty shillings yearly, charged on a messuage at Sudbury, the property of Mr. Dupont.	-- Given by the will of Thomas Pilgrome, dated 25th Sept. 1792.	-- To be distributed amongst the poor of Sudbury by the mayor or any person he appoints.	-- Distributed according to will by the churchwardens.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Sudbury.

Sir Lachlan Maclean - - - Knight, M.D.  
 William Strutt - - - - - Merchant.  
 Branwhite Oliver - - - - - Wine Merchant.  
 Thomas Musgrave - - - - - Manufacturer and Merchant.  
 Thomas Jones - - - - - Common Brewer and Farmer.  
 Thomas Goldsmith - - - - - Woollen Draper and Coach Proprietor.

31 July 1833.

Edm. Stedman, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF TAMWORTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Henry Suckley*, by deed, dated 1764, gave the annual sums of 6 *l.* and 13 *s.* 4 *d.* charged upon messuages, &c. in Allhallows, London, and Upminster, Essex. The 6 *l.* is given in small donations to the poor of Tamworth; and the 13 *s.* 4 *d.* to the vicar, in compliance with the directions and intention of the donor.

*Edward Drayton* gave lands in Fazeley, near Tamworth (since exchanged for other lands of Sir Robert Peel, except as to a small portion through which the Coventry Canal passes), now let for 9 *l.* 6 *s.* per annum, *i. e.* 8 *l.* rent for the land, and 1 *l.* 6 *s.* for the part occupied by the canal proprietors. This is disposed of in small donations, according to the intention of the donor, to the poor of Tamworth.

[The memorandum from which this note is taken appears in a list of perpetual charities to the poor of Tamworth, taken by the then minister of the parish in 1690, but whether given by will or deed of gift, in the absence of the document, does not appear.]

*Thomas Cheatle*, previously to or in the third year of the reign of Charles 1, paid to the bailiffs and commonalty of Tamworth 104 *l.*, which he directed should be lent out on security at four per cent. to tradesmen of Tamworth, the interest to be disposed of by the bailiffs and commonalty; but this sum has been very many years ago reduced to a small sum, probably by failures of the parties to whom it was lent, and in the year 1827 or 1828 it was put into the savings' bank for the purpose of accumulation, where it is for the present intended to remain. It probably, with accumulations, is increased now to almost 30 *l.*

Sir

Sir *John Ferrers*, by will, dated 1629, gave 10*l.* per annum to be distributed amongst 20 poor housekeepers on St. Thomas's-day in every year, in sums of 10*s.* each. It is charged on lands in Bradburn, Derbyshire. The bailiffs regularly give it according to the will of the testator.

*Elizabeth Michel*, by will, dated 1690, gave 50*l.*, one half of which was for the poor of the borough, and the other half for the poor of the hamlets of Tamworth parish.—And *Anne Osborne*, by will, dated 1688, gave 5*l.* for the poor of Tamworth, which with 25*l.*, one half of the above mentioned 50*l.* given by Elizabeth Michel, was invested in the purchase of lands, which now produce 5*l.* per annum. This rent of 5*l.* is given in small sums, according to the wills of the testatrixes.

*Elizabeth Beardsley*, by will, dated 1670, gave 50*l.*, which was then and still is invested on the Ashby turnpike roads, and two sums of 25*l.* each, invested on the Atherstone turnpike roads, which two sums of 25*l.* each, by an accumulation of arrears of interest to the amount of 35*l.*, was increased to 85*l.*, making up with the other donation of 50*l.*, 130*l.*; the interest of which, being 6*l.* 15*s.* per annum, is given by the bailiffs in small donations to the poor of Tamworth in small sums, according to the intention of the donor.

Mrs. *Harcourt* left 1*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* per annum, which is given by the bailiffs to 20 poor widows' pursuant to her will. This sum is charged on an estate at Fillongley in Warwickshire.

*Richard Vaughton*, by will, dated 1665, gave to the poor of Tamworth 40*s.*, which is given in small sums by the bailiffs, according to the will.

*Henry Michel*, by will, dated 1629, gave 40*s.*, 20*s.* of which is divided between the curate and schoolmaster, and the other 20*s.* amongst the poor householders of Tamworth, pursuant to the will.

*Walter Ashmore*, by will, dated 1701, gave two cottages in Tamworth, the rents of which were directed to be received by the bailiffs, minister and churchwardens of Tamworth, and paid to poor widows in sums of 12*d.* each. These cottages were set on lease at the rent of 13*s.* per annum, which lease expires in 1870. This rent has been frequently in arrear for a long space of time, but when received has been deposited in the savings' bank for the purpose of accumulation. There is an arrear of several years now, but will be received shortly, and added to the accumulating fund.

*James Earl of Northampton*, by deed in 1741, gave a house and garden in Tamworth, the rents and profits of which were to be received by the bailiffs, vicar and town-clerk, and disposed of annually by them to the poor of Tamworth. The rent is 20*l.*, out of which the land-tax is paid, and the remaining 19*l.* 2*s.* is distributed in small donations. This house is set on lease.

*John Wightwick*, by deed, dated 1619, gave 10*s.* per annum to be distributed by the bailiffs annually among 30 poor people of the town of Tamworth, which is regularly complied with. This 10*s.* is charged on lands in Spittle Fields, near Tamworth.

*Stephen Bailie*, by will, dated 1620, gave 40*s.* annually to the poor of Tamworth, payable out of lands in the parish of St. Michael's, alias Greenhill, Lichfield, which is given in small donations by the bailiffs, according to the direction of the testator.

The foregoing is an account of all the charitable funds at the disposal of the bailiffs of Tamworth, carefully drawn from old books and documents in the possession of the corporation of Tamworth. Great attention is paid to the disposition of these charities (as nearly as circumstances will permit), in conformity with the intention and directions of the donors; and the names of the donees are regularly inserted in the bailiff's books, with the sums paid to each of them annually.

It is much to be regretted that these charities are directed to be distributed in such trivial sums, as on account of the great decrease in the value of money since these donations were given, they cannot now be of so much service to the poor persons who receive them as the donors contemplated.

If these charitable funds were concentrated, and the trustees enabled to dispose of the interest to deserving individuals in larger sums, it would be very beneficial to the town. It frequently happens that more than 500 applications are made to the trustees, who take down a list of their names, out of which they select such as are deemed most deserving objects of charity. If the trustees had the power of giving to a few of the more industrious and respectable part of the community a sum worthy their acceptance (as from 2*l.* to 5*l.* or 10*l.*), the benefits resulting from it would be sensibly felt, but being sought after at present by the very lowest part of the population only, on account of the smallness of the sums, it is productive in many cases of evil rather than good, inasmuch as it frequently serves only to encourage the propensity to drinking, so prevalent amongst the lower orders of society.

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#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Tamworth.*

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High stewards elected by the corporation for their lives, and who are magistrates by virtue of their office.

The late Sir Robert Peel, baronet, elected high steward in the year 1811, continued in office till his death, which happened in 1830.

The present Sir Robert Peel, baronet, elected high steward in 1830, in the room of his father, the late Sir Robert Peel, baronet.

Recorder elected by the corporation. William Hunt, esquire, barrister-at-law, a resident fellow of King's College, Cambridge, elected recorder in the year 1807, is still resident at Cambridge, and is a magistrate by virtue of his office, which he holds during the will and pleasure of the corporation.

Town-clerks elected for their lives, and are magistrates by virtue of their office.

Charles Oakes elected in the year 1763, and continued town-clerk till the year 1815, when he resigned the office.

Thomas Willington elected in the year 1815, (in the room of Charles Oakes, now deceased.) Corporators, called capital burgesses, who have served the office of bailiff within the last 20 years, and are magistrates during the year in which they serve such office, but no longer.

*N. B.*—The two bailiffs are chosen annually on the 1st day of August, from the list of capital burgesses, and are justices by virtue of their office, during the year of their service, but not afterwards.

#### NAMES, &c. OF BAILIFFS.

1813. Thomas Arnold, Baker, deceased, and Josiah Marshall, Draper, deceased.
1814. Joseph Heath, Gentleman, and Thomas Bradley Paget, Gentleman, deceased.
1815. The Rev. Samuel Downes, Clerk (since disqualified as a corporator of Tamworth by non-residence), and Richard Francis Alexander Freeman, esquire.
1816. The Rev. Michael Ward, Clerk (since disqualified by non-residence), and William Parsons, senior, Gentleman.
1817. The Rev. Francis Blick, Clerk, and Edward Thurman, Glazier (since deceased).
1818. Richard Bennet, Carpenter (since deceased), and Thomas Buckersfield, Hat-manufacturer.
1819. James Pipe, Draper, and Shirley Palmer, Doctor of Medicine.
1820. Robert Nevill, Gentleman, and Robert Woody, Surgeon (since deceased).
1821. John Hall, Tallowchandler, and John Harding, Calico Printer.
1822. Joseph Knight, Gentleman, and William Parsons, junior, Druggist and Grocer.
1823. Samuel Tylecote, Wine and Spirit Merchant, and Thomas Bennet, Surgeon (since deceased).
1824. Thomas Freeman, Gentleman, and William Robinson, Veterinary Surgeon.
1825. William Bindley, junior, Tallowchandler (deceased), and Charles Oakes, Gentleman (deceased).
1826. Charles James Berrie, Druggist, and Richard Bird, senior, Surgeon.
1827. Joseph Heath, Gentleman, and William Bindley, senior, Tallowchandler.
1828. William Parsons, senior, Gentleman, and Richard Francis Alexander Freeman, esquire.
1829. Thomas Buckersfield, Hat-manufacturer, and James Pipe, Draper.
1830. Robert Fowler, esquire, and Henry Wood Roby, Gentleman.
1831. Shirley Palmer, M.D., and William Cox, Wine and Spirit Merchant.
1832. Robert Nevill, Gentleman, and John Hall, Tallowchandler; the present bailiffs, whose year of service expires on the election of two others on the 1st August next (1833.)

The high steward and the town-clerk are magistrates for life by virtue of their office, and the two bailiffs (for the time being) are magistrates during the year for which they are elected. The recorder is a magistrate by virtue of his office, which he holds during the will and pleasure of the corporation.

The appointments of the high steward, recorder and town-clerk are confirmed by the Crown.

5 April 1833.

*Thomas Willington, Town Clerk.*

### CORPORATION OF TENBY.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*James Phillips* left a sum of 50*l.*, which is secured by bond, and payable by the heirs of Lord Milford; this is distributed by the mayor and common council twice a year, as directed by the testator.

*Mary Lewis* left 50*l.*, the interest of which is distributed by the corporation; viz., 2*l.* 10*s.* annually on Lady-day, 25*s.* in bread, and 25*s.* in money, to poor people.

*Devereux Hammond* left 20*s.*; the interest, *i.e.*, 1*s.* worth of penny loaves, are given on Christmas-day annually, according to his will.

*Robert Nash* left 10*l.*; the interest of that sum, 10*s.* worth of bread, is given annually the Sunday after Lady-day.

*Elizabeth Williams* gave 5*l.*, the interest of which, 5*s.*, is given in bread every Good Friday.

*Anne Hitchins* recently left 40*l.*, the interest thereof to be given to poor persons. The sum of 40*s.* is annually distributed on account of this charity at Christmas.

In 1688, Miss *Abra Bowen* left 250*l.*, that was laid out by the mayor and aldermen (to whom it was left, and not to the corporation) in the purchase of an estate,  $\frac{1}{8}$  parts of the farm and lands of Carsewell, in the parish of Penally, and which now produces 17*l.* per annum, and is annually distributed among three poor aged people; viz. Elizabeth Critchett, John Price, and John Wilkins.

Dr. *John Jones* left 413*l.*, with which the corporation purchased estates from Lady Elizabeth Buckley in 1703, that now yield a rental of 63*l.* 1*s.*; and that sum is divided annually by the mayor and common council among poor people, and to put out apprentices; it was given last Christmas to 50 decayed families or poor persons, not receiving parish relief, and two apprentices were put out at an expense of 4*l.* each.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Tenby*.

George Hughes	- - - -	Innkeeper.
Jacob Richards, esq.	- - - -	Justice of the Peace and Deputy-Lieut. of the county of Pembroke.
William Humphreys	- - - -	Gentleman.
Rev. Charles Philipps, clerk	- - - -	Justice of the Peace for the county of Pembroke.
Eyre Cooté Lord, esq.	- - - -	Receiver-General.
Major John L. Philipps	- - - -	Justice of the Peace and Deputy-Lieut. of the county of Pembroke.
Sir John Owen, bart.	- - - -	Lord Lieutenant of the county of Pembroke.
Rev. Nicholas Roch, D.D.	- - - -	Justice of the Peace for the county of Pembroke.
William Edwardes, esq.	- - - -	Collector of His Majesty's Customs.
A. J. Stokes, esq.	- - - -	Justice of the Peace and Deputy-Lieut. of the county of Pembroke.
Thomas Sleeman	- - - -	Merchant.
Howel Williams	- - - -	Retired Officer of His Majesty's Customs.

16 February 1833.

*William Richards*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF TENTERDEN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS—None.

THE only property in the possession of the town and hundred of Tenterden is the rent of stalls and standings at the fair, which are let by the corporation to the town-serjeants at the annual rent of two guineas, they underletting the same to persons attending the fair. They have been acquired by immemorial usage. They are applied to the general purposes of the corporation, viz. the repairing of the gaol and court-hall, prosecution of offenders, &c., in aid of a hundred assessment annually rated upon the inhabitants in the nature of a county rate.

*Wm. Waterman*, Common Clerk.CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Tenterden*.

Jeremiah Curteis, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, a Magistrate for the county of Kent, engaged in no trade, who occupied part of his own estates.
John Sawyer, esq.	- - -	The like.
Thomas Weston, esq.	- - -	The like.
John Butler Pomfret, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, engaged in no trade, occupying part of his own estates.
Walter Elphicke, esq.	- - -	The like.
George Lamb, esq.	- - -	Coal Merchant (deceased).
Vanderlure Mills, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, engaged in no trade, occupying his own estate.
Thos. Weston the younger, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, engaged in no trade, who occupied his own land with that of other persons.
John Tempest Weston, esq.	- - -	The like.
Richard Curteis Croughton, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, engaged in no trade, who occupied his own estate.
John Dewe Pomfret, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education, engaged in no trade, who occupied part of his father's (the above-named John Butler Pomfret) estates.
Virgil Pomfret, esq.	- - -	The like.
Frederick Adams, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, residing at Tenterden, independently of any trade or business.
John Orange, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, a magistrate for the county of Middlesex, engaged in no trade, occupying his own land with that of other persons.
Thomas Manclark, esq.	- - -	A Gentleman of education and fortune, engaged in no trade, occupying his own estate.

15 February 1833.

*Wm. Waterman*, Common Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF TEWKESBURY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir,

1st March 1833.

I HAVE to inform you, that the Return to the first part of your letter, as to the charities, would be so voluminous, that I have considered the better plan is to refer you to that portion of "the Report of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities" as relates to this borough, under the title "Charities under the Management of the Corporation." I could only make a proper Return by sending a copy of this; but the Report being of course within your command, I have considered it better to refer you at once to that. It was (I believe) made with much care, and persons of all classes and parties were allowed to communicate any information they thought proper.

S. M. Phillipps, Esq.

Geo. E. Williams, Deputy Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Tewkesbury.

Elected October 1812:

Michael Procter - - - Cornfactor.  
Henry William Harris - - Solicitor.  
John Martin.  
Henry Fowke - - - Solicitor.  
James Kingsbury - - - Hosier.  
Joseph Wickes - - - Tanner.

1813:

The said James Kingsbury.  
Richard Alcock - - - Esquire.  
The said Michael Procter.  
The said Henry Fowke.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said John Martin.

1814:

William Dowdeswell - - Esquire, commonly  
called General Dowdeswell.  
William Prosser - - - Clerk.  
The said Richard Alcock.  
The said James Kingsbury.  
The said Henry Fowke.  
The said Joseph Wickes.

1815:

The said Henry Fowke.  
Benjamin Holland - - - Surgeon.  
Thomas Vernon - - - Wine-merchant.  
The said William Prosser.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said James Kingsbury.

1816:

Anthony Lechmere - - - Banker.  
Charles Edward Chandler - Hosier.  
The said Henry Fowke.  
The said Benjamin Holland.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said James Kingsbury.

1817:

The said Thomas Vernon.  
James Gorle - - - Gentleman.  
The said Henry Fowke.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said James Kingsbury.  
The said Benjamin Holland.

1818:

The said Henry William Harris.  
Joseph Boughton - - - Solicitor.  
The said Thomas Vernon.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said Benjamin Holland.  
The said James Kingsbury.

1819:

The said Richard Alcock.  
Edmund Warden Jones - - Solicitor.  
The said Joseph Boughton.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said James Kingsbury.  
The said Benjamin Holland.

1820:

The said William Prosser.  
Edward Brydges - - - Tanner.  
The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
The said Joseph Wickes.  
The said James Kingsbury.  
The said Benjamin Holland.

1821:

The said Benjamin Holland.  
Joseph Longmore - - - Esquire.  
The said William Dowdeswell.  
The said William Prosser.  
The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
The said Joseph Wickes.

1822:

The said James Gorle.  
Robert Young - - - Wine-merchant.  
The said Benjamin Holland.  
The said Joseph Longmore.  
The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
The said Joseph Wickes.

1823:

The said Joseph Boughton.  
William George Maxwell - Clerk.  
The said Robert Young.  
The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
The said William Prosser.  
The said James Kingsbury.

1824:

The said William Prosser.  
The said James Kingsbury.  
The said Joseph Boughton.  
The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
The said Benjamin Holland.  
The said Joseph Longmore.

20th May 1825:

The said Michael Procter, in the place of  
James Kingsbury, deceased.

1825:

The said Edward Brydges.  
William Procter - - - Cornfactor.  
The said William Prosser.  
The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
The said Joseph Boughton.  
The said Benjamin Holland.

1826:

The said Edmund Warden Jones.  
Charles White - - - Clerk.  
The said William Procter.  
The said William Prosser.  
The said Joseph Boughton.  
The said Benjamin Holland.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*continued.*

1827 :  
 The said Joseph Longmore.  
 Lewis Goodin, senior - - Solicitor.  
 The said Charles White.  
 The said William Prosser.  
 The said Benjamin Holland.  
 The said William Procter.

1828 :  
 The said Robert Young.  
 Thomas Taylor - - - Esquire.  
 The said Joseph Longmore.  
 The said Lewis Goodin, sen.  
 The said William Prosser.  
 The said Benjamin Holland.

1829 :  
 The said Lewis Goodin, sen.  
 George Edmunds Williams - Solicitor.  
 The said Robert Young.  
 The said Thomas Taylor.  
 The said William Prosser.  
 The said Benjamin Holland.

1 March 1833.

1830 :  
 The said Thomas Taylor.  
 William Dowdeswell - - Esquire.  
 The said William Prosser.  
 The said Benjamin Holland.  
 The said Joseph Longmore.  
 The said Robert Young.

1831 :  
 The said William Prosser.  
 George Banaster - - - Wine-merchant.  
 The said Benjamin Holland.  
 The said Joseph Longmore.  
 The said Robert Young.  
 The said Thomas Taylor.

1832 :  
 The said James Gorle.  
 William Key Tunnicliffe - Surgeon.  
 The said William Prosser.  
 The said Benjamin Holland.  
 The said Joseph Longmore.  
 The said George Banaster.

Geo. E. Williams, Deputy Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF THETFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property.	The Purposes for which they were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
School and hospital. Sir Richard Fulmerstone, Knight, by Will, dated 23d January 1566, gave certain estates and money, with which another estate was purchased at Croxton in Norfolk.	-- For the foundation of a hospital and grammar school, and maintenance for a preacher, schoolmaster and usher, for four poor people, two men and two women, in the town of Thetford, and confirmed by an Act of Parliament passed in the reign of James I.	-- The mayor and Corporation are receivers, and the monies are applied according to the Will and Act of Parliament. The fee of the estate is in the master and fellows. The estate at Croxton lets for 550 <i>l.</i> per annum.
The tolls on the navigable river Lesser Ouze, from White House, near Brandon, to Thetford, granted to the Corporation, by Indenture, 10th March 1696, by Isabella, then Duchess of Grafton, and confirmed by Act of Parliament 22d Charles II., and renewed by an Act of 50 Geo. III.	-- To keep up the haling paths and sluices or locks, and otherwise improve the navigation, and surplus to the general uses of the Corporation.	-- The tolls are appropriated in payment of interest money on a debt of 4,200 <i>l.</i> , and the surplus in repairs and improvement of the navigation, and liquidation of the principal. The receipts for the last four years are 3,875 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> ; expenditure 6,691 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>
The tolls of the Thetford bridges, granted by charter.	To keep bridges in repair and for the use of the Corporation.	-- The Great Bridge at Thetford has been recently rebuilt, and the other bridges repaired, at an expense of upwards of 2,000 <i>l.</i> Rent of the tolls of the bridges 48 <i>l.</i> per annum.
Two-thirds of the tolls of the market.	To keep the market-place and stalls in repair.	-- Applied in keeping market-place and stalls in repair. The surplus, if any, to the Corporation. Rent 17 <i>l.</i> per annum.
Tolls of Brandon Bridge - -	To keep bridge in repair - -	-- This bridge is in a very decayed state, and must soon be rebuilt. The surplus, if any, to the Corporation. Rent 26 <i>l.</i> per annum.
The Guildhall and the Red Lion Inn.	To keep the premises in repair	-- The rent of the Red Lion has been applied in repairs of the Guildhall and Red Lion and premises. Rent 25 <i>l.</i>

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CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

CHARITABLE FUNDS and other Property.	The Purposes for which they were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
Bellman's Close - - -	Given to the mayor and Corporation.	-- Rent 4 <i>l.</i> per annum. Applied to the general uses of the Corporation.
Harbord's Almshouses - -	Given for the residence of six poor men of the town of Thetford.	-- Six poor men, appointed by the mayor and aldermen, now reside in them. No fund.
Santon rectory and advowson	-- Granted to the mayor and Corporation by Thomas Heigham, esq., by Deed, 24 March 1494.	-- A small living of about 18 <i>l.</i> a year, given by the Corporation to the master of the grammar school.
Sir Edwin Rich, by Will, dated 24th April 1675, gave 20 <i>l.</i> per annum, charged upon an estate at Beccles, Suffolk.	-- To be given to the poor of Thetford by the mayor and aldermen, in bread or clothes.	-- Given annually by the mayor and aldermen in clothes to the poor of Thetford—now 18 <i>l.</i> a year, deducting 2 <i>l.</i> for land-tax.
Mr. Peter Sterne, by Will, dated 10th August 1814, gave 1,000 <i>l.</i> to be invested in Government security, and is now invested in the New Three-and-a-half per Cent. stock, 966 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i>	-- To repair his tombstone; and invested in the names of the mayor and aldermen, and the surplus to be paid to the parish officers of the three parishes in Thetford.	Dividends are paid over annually by mayor and aldermen.
Sir Joseph Williamson, by Will, dated 16 August 1701, gave certain lands and monies.	-- For the purpose of binding out poor children of Thetford apprentices to trades.	-- Applied by the trustees according to the Will. The mayor and Corporation are not the trustees of this charity. The number of trustees is 21, and when reduced to seven, the mayor and Corporation nominate new trustees. Rent 270 <i>l.</i> , and rent of the shooting 20 <i>l.</i> a year.
Alderman Barnham, by Will, dated 2d March 1674, gave 4 <i>l.</i> a year to the Corporation.	-- To be applied in clothing or apprenticing poor children of Thetford.	-- Applied by the mayor and aldermen annually in clothing the poor people of Thetford.
The Duke of Norfolk charged Thetford Abbey farm with the payment of 8 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> a year to the mayor and aldermen.	To be applied in clothing the poor people of Thetford.	-- Applied by the mayor and aldermen according to the direction of the donor.
A piece of land called the Mayor's Holmes.	To the general uses of the Corporation.	Rent 2 <i>l.</i> per annum.
Mrs. Edens, by Will, dated in 1616, gave 40 <i>l.</i> to the Corporation to secure the payment of 3 <i>l.</i> per annum.	-- To be paid to the churchwardens and overseers for the use and benefit of the poor of the three parishes in Thetford.	
Sir John Wodehouse forgave the Corporation a debt of 200 <i>l.</i> provided they paid to the poor of Thetford, for ever, on Christmas day; 20 <i>s.</i>	-- 20 <i>s.</i> a year to be applied to the use of the poor of Thetford by the Corporation.	-- Applied annually by the Corporation in payment to the poor of Thetford.
William Firmage, by Will, dated 4th May 1599, gave to the Corporation 10 <i>l.</i> , which they paid to Robert Haytree, and charged the Maidshead and Leadenhall with the payment of 20 <i>s.</i> per annum.	20 <i>s.</i> a year to be applied to the use of the poor of Thetford.	-- No person now living recollects this payment being ever made to the Corporation.

22 Feb. 1833.

Wm. Clarke, Dep. Rec. and Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Thetford.*

1813: Thomas Withers Gill, esq. Mayor - Merchant. Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Coroner - Brewer.	1824: Woodward Bidwell, esq. Mayor { Captain in the East India Company's Service.
1814: Henry Best, esq. - - Mayor - Surgeon. Thomas Withers Gill, esq. Coroner - Merchant.	Henry Best, esq. - - Coroner - Surgeon.
1815: Shelford Bidwell, esq. - Mayor - Brewer. Henry Best, esq. - - Coroner - Surgeon.	1825: John Burrell Faux, esq. Mayor - Shopkeeper.
1816: Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Mayor - Brewer. Shelford Bidwell, esq. - Coroner - Brewer.	Woodward Bidwell, esq. Coroner { Captain in the East India Company's Service.
1817: Eagle Willett, esq. - - Mayor - Shopkeeper. Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Coroner - Brewer.	1826: Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Mayor - Brewer. John Burrell Faux, esq. Coroner - Shopkeeper.
1818: John Burrell Faux, esq., Mayor - Shopkeeper. Eagle Willett, esq. - Coroner - Shopkeeper.	1827: Robert Snare, esq. - Mayor - Builder. Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Coroner - Brewer.
1819: Robert Snare, esq. - Mayor - Builder. John Burrell Faux, esq. Coroner - Shopkeeper.	1828: Henry Best, esq. - - Mayor - Surgeon. Robert Snare, esq. - Coroner - Builder.
1820: Henry Best, esq. - - Mayor - Surgeon. Robert Snare, esq. - Coroner - Builder.	1829: Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Mayor - Brewer. Henry Best, esq. - - Coroner - Surgeon.
1821: Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Mayor - Brewer. Henry Best, esq. - - Coroner - Surgeon.	1830: Robert Snare, esq. - - Mayor - Builder. Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Coroner - Brewer.
1822: Shelford Bidwell, esq. - Mayor - Brewer. [Mr. Bidwell died, and Mr. Snare was elected for the remainder of the year.] Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Coroner - Brewer.	1831: Henry Best, esq. - - Mayor - Surgeon. Robert Snare, esq. - Coroner - Builder.
1823: Henry Best, esq. - - Mayor - Surgeon. Robert Snare, esq. - Coroner - Builder.	1832: (Present Mayor.) Leonard Shelford Bidwell, esq. - } Mayor - Brewer. Henry Best, esq. - - Coroner - Surgeon.

At the expiration of the office of Coroner, they cease to be Magistrates. The Recorder of the borough, the Most Noble the Duke of Grafton, is a Magistrate by virtue of his office, and has acted occasionally.

22 Feb. 1833.

Wm. Clarke, Dep. Rec. and Town Clerk.

CORPORATION OF TIVERTON.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

By a Charter granted by the late King James the First, dated the 10th of August, in the 13th year of his reign; reciting that the town of Tiverton was an ancient town and very populous, and that the inhabitants of the same had theretofore done to the King, and his progenitors and predecessors, divers good and acceptable services, and that the inhabitants had petitioned that they might be created into a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Mayor and Burgesses of Tiverton; the King granted that they should be so created, and should be capable to have, acquire and possess lands and tenements, and to sue and be sued in their corporate capacity. Divers privileges were also granted to the said mayor and burgesses, and amongst others, that to enable them and their successors the better to support and maintain the charges and expenses of the said town and parish; and also for the better relief and sustenance of poor artificers and other inhabitants of the same, the said mayor and burgesses, and their successors, might hold, within the town and parish of Tiverton aforesaid, two fairs yearly, on the days therein appointed, together with a court of pied-poudre, with all tolls, stallage, picage and emoluments whatsoever, unto such fairs and courts of pied-poudre appertaining or belonging.

The tolls and profits of the fairs are received by the Corporation, and applied towards defraying the expenses of the same, as hereafter mentioned.

The before-mentioned charter, having been forfeited, was restored and confirmed by the late King George the First, by a charter dated the 4th of December, in the 11th year of his reign.

By Indenture, dated 23d September, 13 James I., *John May*, of Tiverton, Devon, clothier, in consideration of 15*l.* paid to him by the mayor, capital burgesses and assistants of Tiverton, conveyed a plot of ground, situate in High-street, within the town of Tiverton, unto the said mayor, capital burgesses and assistants, and to their heirs for ever.

On this plot of ground a Guildhall was afterwards built; it was rebuilt at the expense of the liberty, about 38 years since, and the same now stands thereon, and is used for all public purposes.

By Indenture, dated 10th August, 1st Charles I., *John West*, of Tiverton, Devon, gentleman, in consideration of 280*l.* to him paid by the said mayor and burgesses, conveyed unto the said mayor and burgesses and their successors, for ever, a messuage or tenement, with the appurtenances, situate in the High-street of Tiverton, and adjoining the Guildhall.

By Indenture, dated 20th August, 1st Charles I., the said mayor and burgesses, in consideration of 100*l.* to them paid by the trustees named in the Will of one *Robert Reed*, charged on the said messuage, &c. conveyed to them by the said John West, an annuity of 7*l.* 16*s.* annually, to be applied in paying 3*s.* a week for bread for twelve poor people of Tiverton, for ever, as directed by the Will of the said Robert Reed.

The Corporation have always paid 7*l.* 16*s.* annually for bread, which is furnished weekly by a baker to twelve poor people of Tiverton. Whenever a vacancy occurs, it is filled up by the nomination of some other poor person by the mayor for the time being.

The dwelling-house and other buildings which stood on the site, conveyed to the mayor and burgesses by the said John West, were about the year 1787, and in some subsequent years, pulled down, and thereon were erected, at the expense of the Corporation, a building now used as the Bank, with the mayoralty-room over, and a dwelling-house adjoining, two rooms of which the Corporation allow to be used, rent-free, as appendages to the Guildhall, for public purposes.

The rents of the Bank and the dwelling-house adjoining are received by the Corporation, and (deducting the 7*l.* 16*s.* annually given away in bread, as before expressed) are also applied towards defraying the expenses of the Corporation, as hereafter mentioned.

By Indenture, dated 6th January, 15th Charles I., *Thomas Cogan* and *John Bennett*, of Tiverton, Devon, mercers, in consideration of 250*l.* paid to them by the said mayor and burgesses, assigned unto the said mayor and burgesses, their successors and assigns, for the residue of a term of 2,000 years, without impeachment of waste, a messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, situate at Bolham, in the parish of Tiverton aforesaid.

The rent of this estate is received by the Corporation, and is also applied towards defraying the expenses of the same, as hereinafter mentioned.

By Deed, dated 21st October 1650, *William Spurway*, of Oakford, Devon, gentleman, and *Richard Spurway*, his son and heir apparent, conveyed to the said mayor and burgesses, and their successors, for ever, a house in St. Andrew's-street, in Tiverton, then used as a house of correction, with the garden and court thereto belonging.

This house, &c. is still used as a house of correction, and a building, which was some years since erected thereon at the expense of the Corporation, has lately been fitted up at the expense of the liberty as the debtor's prison. The house of correction has been always repaired, and was about 38 years since rebuilt, at the expense of the liberty, but no rent is paid to the said mayor and burgesses for the use of the same.

*John Berry*, of Kentisbeer, Devon, by Indenture of Feoffment, dated 16th September, 16th James I., granted a cottage and tenement, with the appurtenances and nine closes of land, containing in the whole by estimation 15 acres, all lying at West Chevithorne, in the said parish of Tiverton, upon trust, yearly to pay 10*l.* out of the rents to two labourers in husbandry, one weaver and one fuller, dwelling in the town or parish of Tiverton aforesaid, being of the honest sort, and aged, decayed and disenabled in their bodies to maintain themselves in their professions, to be nominated by the said mayor and burgesses, or the greater part of them, and to pay the residue of the rent, after payment of costs and charges for reparations, high rent and other charges, to the mayor and burgesses, for their proper use and benefit.

The rent of this tenement is received by the Corporation, and distributed and applied as follows:—Two sums of 50*s.* each, as directed by the donor, are given to two labourers in husbandry; 50*s.* to one weaver, and 50*s.* to one fuller, who are chosen by a majority of votes of those members of the Corporation who meet on St. John's day, as after described.

The residue is applied towards defraying the expenses of the Corporation, as hereinafter mentioned.

The clear profits of the fairs; the balance of the rent of the Bank and the dwelling-house adjoining; the rent of the estate at Bolham, and the balance of the rent of the closes of land at West Chevithorne, amounting altogether to about 120*l.* annually, are received and applied by the Corporation towards defraying the expenses necessarily attendant on the support of the same, such as the deputy recorder's salary for attending at the four sessions held during each year; for the dinners of the grand jury, &c. at such sessions; for cloaks, hats, &c. for the serjeants-at-mace, and towards their expenses, &c.; and for constables' expenses, &c. But the balance of these rents is insufficient for the above purposes, and the deficiency is supplied by the members of the Corporation individually, who subscribe from 2*l.* to 4*l.* each annually out of their own pockets.

*John Berry*, of Tiverton, by his Will, dated the 30th of May 1623, gave to the said mayor and burgesses 60*l.* to purchase an estate in fee or a rent-charge, to be employed towards the setting up and continuance of a lecture in divinity, in Tiverton, if the same might be permitted. If not, then the said mayor and burgesses to employ the same to such charitable uses and purposes within the town and parish of Tiverton, as they should in their discretion think most convenient, during the time of the restraint of such lecture.

It cannot be stated with certainty in what mode this sum of 60*l.* was disposed of; but in 1676 a field was purchased by the Corporation of Thomas Chilcott for that precise sum, and as no other gift appears from whence that purchase money might have been derived, it is not improbable that this

this donation of Mr. Berry was then laid out. As this purchase is in some degree united with the two following gifts of Daniel Cudmore and George Hartnoll, it will perhaps be more intelligible to state them first, only noticing here that about 10*l.* is paid annually by the Corporation towards the support of the lecture preached every Sunday evening in the parish church of Tiverton.

*Daniel Cudmore*, by his Will, dated the 16th October 1637, gave 50*l.* to be paid at any time within three years, if the mayor and Corporation of Tiverton should buy any lands for the use of the poor of that place within that time, of that value or more, to remain for ever. The best benefit that could be made thereof to be given to sixteen poor old people every Good Friday, for ever, by the mayor and the minister of the portion of Tidcombe.

*George Hartnoll*, by his Will, dated the 5th of June 1622, gave 50*l.* to be paid to the said mayor and burgesses, as soon as they should purchase or procure an annuity or yearly rent of 50*s.* per annum, either in fee-simple or by lease for 2,000 years, and so settle the same that the profits should be given to five of the honestest and most necessitous poor husbandmen of that town, at 10*s.* a man, yearly for ever, to be disposed of by the said mayor and burgesses, or the greater part of them.

In 1673, *John Ivie*, in consideration of 105*l.* conveyed to the said mayor and burgesses and their successors, a close of about two acres, and another close of about one acre, situate near Wilcombe-lane, in Tiverton aforesaid.

By Indentures of Lease and Release, dated 18th and 19th April 1676 (reciting that the said two closes had been conveyed by the said mayor and burgesses to one Thomas Chilcott), the said Thomas Chilcott reconveyed to the mayor and burgesses, and their successors, the said two closes, and also conveyed to them another close, containing by estimation one acre, situate near the same, which last-mentioned close was then purchased by the said mayor and burgesses of the said Thomas Chilcott, in consideration of 60*l.* paid to him by them, and the trusts of all these premises were thereby declared to be to pay 50*s.* a year thereout, according to the Will of George Hartnoll, and 50*s.* a year, according to the Will of Daniel Cudmore, and upon trust, to dispose of the remainder of the rents to such other good, laudable and charitable purposes, as to the mayor and burgesses, or the greater part of them, should seem expedient and meet.

The trusts of the last-mentioned deed tend to show that the consideration for the lands purchased of John Ivie, being 105*l.* was in part composed of the two sums of 50*l.* each, given by Daniel Cudmore and George Hartnoll; and, as has been before stated, it is conjectured that the consideration for the purchase of Thomas Chilcott's land might have been derived from the gift of John Berry, of Tiverton.

The two closes purchased of John Ivie were exchanged by the Corporation with Philip Blundell, esq. for two other closes, containing by estimation four acres, situate in the said parish of Tiverton, and about a quarter of a mile from the two closes purchased of John Ivie. The deed of exchange, which is under the Corporation seal, and signed by the Corporation, bears date the 26th December 1805, and it is thereby recited that the said Philip Blundell, being desirous to make this exchange, intended that the mayor and burgesses should receive of him one-fourth part in value more than they should give in exchange, and that the parties had caused a valuation to be made by two experienced judges of the value of land, who had declared that the said exchange would be beneficial to the mayor and burgesses, in the proportion of one-fourth, provided the said Philip Blundell paid to the mayor and burgesses 20*l.* besides the two closes purposed to be given in exchange by him. The valuation of the two persons before-mentioned is attached to the deed of exchange. The sum of 20*l.* was paid by Mr. Blundell, and laid out, with other monies in the hands of the mayor and burgesses, arising from the arrears of rents of lands in Elmore, hereafter mentioned, due previous to the year 1803, in the purchase of Navy Five per Cent. stock.

The close purchased of Thomas Chilcott in 1676 for 60*l.* was sold in 1814 to the Grand Western Canal Company, under the powers of an Act of Parliament for making that canal, for 250*l.* which was considered at the time a very high price. By that Act, the purchase money ought to have been invested in stock, in the name of the Accountant-general, but to save expense, it was agreed to be laid out, until some desirable purchase of land could be obtained, in the Navy Five per Cents., and 267*l.* was purchased in that stock, and produced a dividend of 13*l.* 17*s.* annually, but the same having been reduced to New Three-and-half per Cents. it now produces a yearly dividend of only 9*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.*

Out of the rents of the land received in exchange from Mr. Blundell, and of the dividends of the last-mentioned stock, 1*l.* 5*s.* as one-half of the produce of Cudmore's gift, is paid to the rector of the portion of Tidcombe, and by him distributed annually on Good Friday, equally amongst eight poor old persons of Tiverton, and 1*l.* 5*s.* as the other half, is annually distributed on Good Friday by the mayor of Tiverton, equally amongst eight other poor old persons of Tiverton. Ten shillings each are given on St. John's day to five poor husbandmen under Hartnoll's gift, chosen by vote of those members of the Corporation, who are there present, as hereafter described.

The residue of the rents of the last-mentioned lands, and the dividends on the stock, are distributed annually on St. John's day, as hereinafter mentioned.

By Deeds of Lease and Release, dated the 4th and 5th September 1747, *Spurway Paley*, in consideration of 115*l.* conveyed to the said mayor and burgesses a close, containing by estimation two acres, then called the Shillands, but now Upcott's Field, situate in the said parish of Tiverton, part whereof was freehold and part leasehold for 2,000 years, in trust, that the rents and profits should be given to and amongst such poor and indigent inhabitants of the town and parish of Tiverton as the mayor and burgesses should in their discretion think fit and convenient.

The rent of this close is also distributed annually on St. John's day, as hereinafter mentioned.

*Thomas Leigh*, by his Will, dated the 4th of January 1663, gave to the said mayor and burgesses, and their successors, all his eighth part of the market of Tiverton, and the tolls, &c. thereunto belonging, and directed that the profits arising out of the same should be yearly, for ever, distributed on the 26th December, by the said mayor and burgesses, amongst such indigent and needy persons born and residing in the town of Tiverton as they in their discretion should think fitting; and he desired that the names of the persons who should have the same should be registered in a book, so that it might always appear that the same had been duly disposed of according to his intention.

The other seven-eighths of the profits of the market are held by trustees for charitable purposes, under the gifts of different benefactors.

The annual profits, which have of late been received for Leigh's share of the market, are 2*l.* 10*s.* for one-eighth of the tolls of the corn market—(those tolls being let jointly with the market-place, in which Thomas Leigh had no share, and the annual value of such tolls being calculated separately at 20*l.*)

By an Act of Parliament passed in the 6th Geo. IV. 1825, for removing the markets held within the town of Tiverton, for providing a market-place in the said town, and for regulating and maintaining the said markets, power is given to certain persons therein appointed to purchase lands and erect market-places within the town, to remove thereto the markets which were previously held in the streets, and to borrow not exceeding 10,000*l.* Power is also given to take and receive certain tolls and rents in the new market-places; to pay the interest on the monies borrowed, and for other purposes. Provision is made for paying off the sums to be borrowed, and it is also provided that until the same are paid off (amongst other sums) 31*l.* 5*s.* shall be paid annually to the mayor and burgesses for the one-eighth of the market, devised to them by the said Thomas Leigh.

The Corporation therefore now receive the said sum of 31*l.* 5*s.* annually, and which, with the 2*l.* 10*s.* paid them for one-eighth of the tolls of the corn market, as before stated, is also distributed yearly on St. John's day, as hereinafter mentioned.

The several sums before-mentioned, to be distributed on St. John's day annually, are distributed and applied as follows:—The members of the Corporation (altogether 25 in number) meet together on that day for the purpose of distributing these and other monies, which they are intrusted to apply for charitable purposes. Each corporator present names one husbandman and one weaver to receive 5*s.* each out of the general fund. The several rents and the dividends on the stock before-mentioned are added together, and the several specific gifts before-mentioned are deducted from the amount. The balance (which on an average amounts to about 50*l.* annually) is then divided into as many portions as there may happen to be corporators present; each is informed the sum he has to dispose of, and he is desired to give away the same, in such sums as he may think proper, to poor persons of the town or parish of Tiverton. Within a few days after this the same are disposed of accordingly, and each corporator delivers to the town clerk a list of the poor persons to whom the money has been given, to be filed, and then, but not until then, receives the amount. It may perhaps, without arrogance, be added, that there are but few, if any, members of the Corporation who did not give away much more than they have to dispose of, and some of them double the amount.

By Indenture of Lease, dated the 10th of December 1806, the King's most Excellent Majesty demised to the mayor and burgesses of Tiverton, their successors and assigns, the several pieces or parcels of land lying in Elmore, in the parish of Tiverton, therein described, from the 10th day of October 1803, for the term of 31 years, upon trust, for the sole use and benefit of the poor of the said town and parish of Tiverton not receiving parochial relief, subject to the payment to the Crown of a yearly fee-farm rent of 1*l.*

These closes of land produce about 40*l.* yearly, and the mode in which the same is now distributed and applied is as follows:—The members of the Corporation being met together annually on St. John's day, as before-mentioned, and the rents of the said closes being added together, are divided into as many portions as there may happen to be corporators present; each is informed the sum he has to dispose of, and he is desired to give away the same equally to four poor persons of the town or parish of Tiverton not receiving parochial relief. Within a few days after this, the same is disposed of accordingly, and each corporator delivers to the town clerk a list of the poor persons to whom the money has been given, to be filed, and then, but not until then, receives the amount.

This lease will expire in October 1834.

The Corporation have presented a memorial to the Commissioners of Woods, &c. for a renewal of the same, which is now under their consideration.

*Richard Down*, of the city of London, esq. by Indenture, dated 20th October 1806, reciting that he had invested 700*l.* stock in the Three per Cent. Consols, in the name of the said mayor and burgesses, directed that the dividends and produce thereof should be for ever paid to such one scholar of Blundell's grammar school in Tiverton as should be nominated by himself during his life, and afterwards by his son Edward during his life, and after both their deaths, by the mayor and the rector of Tidcombe portion, in Tiverton, for the time being.

Mr. R. Down has been dead for many years; his son is living. The dividends of the said stock have been and are annually received by the Corporation, and paid and applied according to the directions of the deed.

The said *Richard Down*, by Indenture, dated the 14th of April 1808, reciting that he had transferred 500*l.* stock in the Three per Cent. Consols, into the name of the said mayor and burgesses, directed that the dividends and produce thereof should be equally divided and paid, one-half to the officiating minister of St. Peter's church in Tiverton, and the other half to the officiating minister of St. George's chapel, there to be by them distributed amongst such poor persons regularly receiving the sacrament at such church and chapel as the said respective ministers should think most fit to receive the same.

The dividends of the said 500*l.* stock are regularly received by the Corporation, and paid over to such officiating ministers, to be by them distributed as directed by the deed last mentioned.

By

By Indenture, dated the 20th January 1820, a plot of ground situate in St. Andrew-street, in Tiverton, and whereon a school-house was then being erected, was conveyed to the said mayor and burgesses and their successors, upon trust, and to the intent that the site and school-house should thenceforth, for ever, thereafter be appropriated to the use of the Sunday schools for boys and girls, as then established in Tiverton, on the national system of teaching.

The school-house was completed shortly after the date of the last-mentioned deed, and has been ever since and is now used as a school-house, for the purposes above expressed.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Tiverton.

1813:  
John Wood - Solicitor - Mayor.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Justice.  
Rev. John Pitman - Clerk - Recorder.

1814:  
Henry Dunsford - Banker - Mayor.  
John Wood - Solicitor - Justice.  
Rev. John Pitman - Clerk - Recorder.

1815:  
John Govett, jun. - Surgeon - Mayor.  
Henry Dunsford - Banker - Justice.  
Rev. John Pitman - Clerk - Recorder.

1816:  
John Beedell - Druggist - Mayor.  
John Govett, jun. - Surgeon - Justice.  
Rev. John Pitman - Clerk - Recorder.

1817:  
Samuel Walker - Esquire - Mayor.  
John Beedell - Druggist - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1818:  
George Barne - Banker - Mayor.  
Samuel Walker - Esquire - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1819:  
John Wood - Solicitor - Mayor.  
George Barne - Banker - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1820:  
John Worth - Esquire - Mayor.  
John Wood - Solicitor - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1821:  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Mayor.  
John Worth - Esquire - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1822:  
Henry Dunsford - Banker - Mayor.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1823:  
John Govett, jun. - Surgeon - Mayor.  
Henry Dunsford - Banker - Justice.  
John Govett - Surgeon - Recorder.

1824:  
Rev. C. Osmond Osmond Clerk - Mayor.  
John Govett, jun. - Surgeon - Justice.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Recorder.

1825:  
William Dunsford - Esquire - Mayor.  
Rev. C. Osmond Osmond Clerk - Justice.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Recorder.

1826:  
John Beedell - Druggist - Mayor.  
William Dunsford - Esquire - Justice.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Recorder.

1827:  
Benj. Bowden Dickinson Esquire - Mayor.  
John Beedell - Druggist - Justice.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Recorder.

1828:  
Samuel Walker - Esquire - Mayor.  
Benj. Bowden Dickinson Esquire - Justice.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Recorder.

1829:  
George Welsh Owen - Esquire - Mayor.  
Samuel Walker - Esquire - Justice.  
Sir John Duntze - Baronet - Recorder.

1830:  
John Barne - Esquire - Mayor.  
George Welsh Owen - Esquire - Justice.  
John Wood - Solicitor - Recorder.

1831:  
William Dickinson - Esquire - Mayor.  
John Barne - Esquire - Justice.  
John Wood - Solicitor - Recorder.

1832:  
Thomas Cosway - Currier - Mayor.  
William Dickinson - Esquire - Justice.  
James Elton - Esquire - Recorder.

N.B.—From the year 1824 inclusive, to the present period, the Recorder for the time being has not been a member of the Corporation, although included in this Return.

*Fred. O. Patch, Town Clerk.*

#### CORPORATION OF GREAT TORRINGTON.

##### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of Great Torrington have no property or lands under their control; however, they are assisted by the feoffees of the town lands occasionally, who have property (which is particularly set forth in the Eleventh Report of the Commissioners for inquiring into Charities, page 36, which is too long to copy.)

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Great Torrington.

The mayor of Great Torrington is the chief magistrate, who is annually chosen by the aldermen, and who is justice the succeeding year. There are no other justices who act for the borough and town of Great Torrington, except the recorder.

13th Feb. 1833.

*Francis Kingdon, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF TOTNES.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Ball's Gift.*—Henry Ball, by his Will, dated 22d of January 1608, gave an annuity of 20 marks, or 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* payable out of houses in Whitechapel yearly, to the poor of Totnes. This sum is annually remitted to the mayor, and distributed among the poor of Totnes.

*Shillabeer's Gift.*—Henry Shillabeer, by his Will, gave 20*l.* payable out of a house in Totnes. This is also received annually by the mayor, and distributed amongst the poor of Totnes, with Ball's Gift.

*Langdon's Gift.*—Richard Langdon, by his Will, dated the 17th of May 1707, gave 10*l.* to be divided, one half among the poor sick people of Totnes, and the other half among such poor people of Totnes as frequent the church, receive the sacrament, are not chargeable to the parish, and are housekeepers. This 10*l.* is payable out of an estate in Ilington, Devon, and is received yearly by the mayor, and distributed according to the will.

*Martin's Gift.*—Henry Martin, by his Will, dated 22d August 1690, gave certain lands in Barnstable, Devon, the rents to be distributed in bread every Lord's Day amongst the poor of Totnes. Those rents, amounting to 22*l.* are received annually, and the bread is distributed weekly to the poor.

Besides the above donations, the Corporation distribute weekly in bread to the poor, twelve three-penny loaves, twelve two-penny loaves, and twenty-eight penny loaves, amounting to the annual sum of 19*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* The Corporation are in the possession of the manor of Great Totnes, to which belongs certain mills, quays, tolls of markets and fairs, several houses and chief rents. It is understood that some of these properties were acquired by royal grant, in the time of Edward III. and others, by purchase, but from the length of time they have been possessed by the Corporation, it cannot be clearly ascertained how or in what manner they became possessed of the property.

## Other Property in the possession, order and disposition of the Corporation.

	£.	s.	d.
An annuity of 4 <i>l.</i> per quarter, paid out of the funds of the Corporation, to ten poor widows of the parish of Totnes	16	—	—
An annual annuity, paid out of the funds of the Corporation, to the poor people residing in an almshouse, called the Lamb	—	17	—
<i>Norrish's Charity.</i> —A weekly annuity of 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per week to two poor widows residing in an almshouse, called <i>Norrish's Almshouse</i>	8	13	4

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Totnes.

1813:	1820:
William Searle Bentall - - Banker.	Charles Taylor - - - - Grocer.
Thornton Bentall - - - Banker.	George Farwell, sen. - - Gentleman.
1814:	1821:
Thomas Welch - - - - Gentleman.	Christopher Farwell - - Esquire.
William Searle Bentall - - Banker.	Charles Taylor - - - - Grocer.
1815:	1822:
Samuel Cuming - - - - Surgeon and Apothecary.	Richard Marshall - - - Doctor of Physic.
Thomas Welch - - - - Gentleman.	Christopher Farwell - - Esquire.
1816:	1823:
John Cole - - - - - Gentleman.	Thornton Bentall - - - Banker.
Samuel Cuming - - - - Surgeon and Apothecary.	Richard Marshall - - - Doctor of Physic.
1817:	1824:
William Marshall - - - Clerk.	William Doidge Taunton - Attorney-at-Law.
John Cole - - - - - Gentleman.	Thornton Bentall - - - Banker.
1818:	1825:
William Searle Bentall - - Banker.	John Cole - - - - - Gentleman.
William Marshall - - - Clerk.	William Doidge Taunton - Attorney-at-Law.
1819:	1826:
George Farwell, sen. - - Gentleman.	Christopher Farwell - - Esquire.
William Searle Bentall - - Banker.	John Cole - - - - - Gentleman.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*continued.*

1827:  
Charles Taylor - - - Grocer.  
Christopher Farwell - - Esquire.

1828:  
George Pownoll Adams - Esquire.  
Charles Taylor - - - Grocer.

1829:  
William Searle Bentall - - Banker.  
George Pownoll Adams - Esquire.

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1830:  
William Doidge Taunton - Attorney-at-Law.  
William Searle Bentall - - Banker.

1831:  
Thornton Bentall - - - Banker.  
William Doidge Taunton - Attorney-at-Law.

1832:  
Christopher Farwell - - - Esquire.  
Thornton Bentall - - - Banker.

*George Farwell, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF TREGLONY.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

The corporate property consists of five fields, containing about six acres of land, three dwelling-houses and gardens, and a portion of the fair dues; all let for 27 *l.* 12 *s.* per annum, subject to a mortgage of 120 *l.*

How the property became vested in the Corporation is not known, but it has been in their possession from time immemorial. For what purpose the property was originally given does not appear; but the funds are applied to pay interest on the mortgage, and the necessary expense of the mayor in maintaining the police of the town, and the surplus devoted to the improvement of the corporate property.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Tregony.*

## Mayors.

## Justices.

1813. John Hearle - - - Captain in the Army	Thomas Hennah - - - Esquire.
1814. Samuel Jewel - - - Surgeon	ditto.
1815. William Perryman - Gentleman	Rev. Richard Gurney - - Clerk.
1816. Ditto - - - ditto	ditto - - - ditto.
1817. William Moorman - Surveyor of Taxes	ditto - - - ditto.
1818. Ditto - - - ditto	ditto - - - ditto.
1819. John Hearle - - - Captain in the Army	ditto - - - ditto.
1820. William Hennah - - Captain R. N.	ditto - - - ditto.
1821. Samuel Jewel - - - Surgeon	ditto - - - ditto.
1822. Ditto - - - ditto	ditto - - - ditto.
1823. Richard Trenemer - Yeoman	ditto - - - ditto.
1824. Ditto - - - ditto	ditto - - - ditto.
1825. Ditto - - - ditto	ditto - - - ditto.
1826. Samuel Jewel - - - Surgeon	William Perryman - - Gentleman.
1827. Ditto - - - ditto	ditto - - - ditto.
1828. Rev. Tho <sup>s</sup> . Vaughan Clerk	William Hennah - - - Captain R. N.
1829. William Cock - - - Gentleman	ditto - - - ditto.
1830. Nicholas Wakern - Lieutenant R. N.	ditto - - - ditto.
1831. Edward Hennah - - Lieutenant R. N.	Samuel Jewel - - - Esquire, Surgeon.
1832. Samuel Williams Jewel, Surgeon	ditto - - - ditto.

February 16, 1833.

*John Thorn, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF TRURO.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

COPY of REPORT made by a Committee of the Corporation to the Mayor of *Truro*, in December 1827.

To the Worshipful the Mayor of the Borough of *Truro*.

Sir,

WE whose names are hereto subscribed, being appointed by your worship to inspect and audit the annual accounts of your steward, and to report on the different disbursements thereof, beg leave to state, that in conformity with your directions, we have proceeded to a careful examination thereof, and we desire to submit to your consideration the result of our inquiries; but as the time allowed us was very limited, we feel it necessary to bespeak your kind indulgence for the imperfect state of our report.

We find that, in addition to bond debts of 2,800 *l.* there is a balance of account floating and yet due to Mr. James Oates' administratrix of 250 *l.* making together the sum of 3,050 *l.*, for which interest must be punctually provided.

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We therefore most earnestly beg to recommend a strict and rigid system of economy to be adopted in the expenditure of the corporate revenue, and we should, in our opinion, ill discharge our duty, or merit the confidence you have been pleased to repose in us, if we did not urge the necessity of evincing this disposition in every branch of your corporate establishment, that some hopes may be indulged, however faint and distant, that this heavy debt may at some future day be liquidated or materially lessened.

We venture to recommend to your worship and your successors, carefully to examine and to cheque the different bills which may be produced to you for your approval; and we think it highly desirable that your steward should pay no bills without the mayor's signature.

We recommend that the sum of 3*l.* heretofore paid to the justices at the Easter quarter sessions (being in fact a present to the county) be discontinued.

We recommend that the subscription of 10*l.* 10*s.* to Bell's school, and the 10*l.* 10*s.* to the Infirmary, be reduced one half; and that the subscription of 10*l.* 10*s.* to the singers be discontinued.

We presume also to recommend, that whenever the water and land boundaries of your borough be renewed, the expense on no account do exceed the sum of twenty guineas for each, being fully persuaded that the former might be effectually done for a less sum.

We recommend that the tenant for the Town Quays be allowed no more discount for prompt payment, but that he be required to pay up the rent half-yearly, as the same becomes due.

We earnestly recommend that the amount of all fines for reversions or grants for lives, be invariably applied to the liquidation of the debts due from the Corporation.

We beg to lay before your worship a paper (No. 1), containing an abstract of the receipts and payments of your steward for the year 1826, wherein the balance in his hands appears to be 58*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* only.

We also beg to submit to your worship a paper (No. 2), containing an estimate of the probable income and expenditure of the Corporation for the year 1827 and succeeding years; wherein we have calculated the income at the highest estimate, and have taken the expenditure at the lowest, and therefore we deeply regret that under these (the most favourable circumstances) we cannot build our hopes for a surplus annual revenue of more than 89*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* to meet all future contingencies, and rarely so much.

It may not be amiss to add, that the 150*l.* mentioned in paper (No. 2), is intended to cover ordinary annual expenses, but that for the year 1827 there are in addition 107*l.* 10*s.* to be paid to the carpenters; and the expense of repairing the crane will be at least 50*l.*, making together 157*l.* 10*s.*; but contracts have also been made for reversions to the amount of 203*l.* 3*s.*, and this will therefore make little or no alteration in the general view we have taken of the subject.

And, in conclusion, being anxious to do justice to your steward, whose care and attention to the duties of his office we believe to be exemplary, we cannot but think that his present salary of 31*l.* 10*s.* yearly is inadequate to the labour and care which are imposed upon him; but under the pressure of your present debt, we feel ourselves obliged to refrain from holding out to him at present any more pleasing expectation. But we do hope that at some future day (if the regulations and economical arrangements which we have presumed most respectfully to recommend to your worship for adoption, be carried into immediate and active operation), such a proof of your approbation and confidence may be awarded to him, and which we cannot doubt will be no less your inclination to bestow, than it will be his anxious desire to merit.

Truro, 5th Dec. 1827.

James Nankivell, Alderman.  
J. W. Chilcott, Alderman.  
J. T. Nankivell, Cap<sup>t</sup> Burgess.

No. 1.—ABSTRACT of RECEIPTS (of Truro Corporation) and PAYMENTS for 1826.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	
Rents per Rental - - -	162	-	11½				Repairs and Materials, &c. &c. - -	-	-	-	352	17	9	
Ditto - - Trevilson - - -	65	18	5				Debts, Principal - -	300	-	-				
Ditto - - Town Mills - - -	15	15	-				Interest - -	64	16	10				
				243	14	4½					364	16	10	
Quay Dues (nett) - - -	-	-	-	183	7	-	Salaries and Allowances - - -	-	-	-	364	1	4	
Lady-day—Market Dues of Oats -	301	16	1½				Petty Disbursements - - -	-	-	-	175	2	5	
Michaelmas—ditto - - Jennings	328	19	9½				Taxes - - -	-	-	-	204	1	4	
				630	15	11	Rents - - -	-	-	-	17	17	6	
Rents for the Earl of Falmouth to be paid	-	-	-	27	4	8½					£.	1,478	17	2
Dividends on South Sea Annuities - - -	-	-	-	5	-	-								
Money borrowed - - -	-	-	-	300	-	-	Balance in hand - - -	-	-	-	58	15	4	
For old Copper - - -	-	-	-	5	13	-								
Balance in hand 1825 - - -				£.	1,395	15	-	This agrees with the Steward's Account Book.						
					141	17	6							
				£.	1,537	12	6				£.	1,537	12	6

No. 2.—ESTIMATE

## No. 2.—ESTIMATE of the probable RECEIPTS of the CORPORATION REVENUES and PAYMENTS for 1827 and succeeding years.

1827:	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.
The estate of Trevilson in Newlyn	75 - -			By Mayor's allowance - -	40 - -
Half of Truro Mills - - -	15 - -			Mr. Hogg, schoolmaster - -	25 - -
Conventional rents (if all paid) -	40 - -			Rector of Truro, donation 10 <i>l.</i> ;	
Free rents (ditto) - - -	14 - -			sermons 12 <i>l.</i> - - -	22 - -
Dividends on Old South Sea An-		144 15 -		Singers - - -	10 - -
nualties on 166 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> -	- - -	5 - -		Subscription to Bell's school -	10 10 -
Quay dues to Lady-day - -	96 10 -			Wine at the sessions - - -	3 - -
— Michaelmas - -	96 10 -			Subscription to Infirmary - -	10 10 -
Markets, on the calculation of last		193 - -		Donation of Gregor to St. Cle-	
year - - - £.680 - -				ment's parish - - -	2 - -
Deduct expenses of col-				Jones' charity - - -	5 - -
lecting - - - 30 - -	650 - -			To women in hospital at 4 <i>s.</i> p' week	104 - -
Fairs } about - - - {	26 - -			In lieu of a meadow - - -	5 - -
Toll corn } - - - {	12 - -			Ditto a garden - - -	1 6 -
Total Income in gross £.		688 - -		Clothing, about - - -	18 16 -
				Bread money - - -	6 18 8
				Town clerk's salary - - -	21 - -
				Town steward's ditto - - -	31 10 -
				Clerk of the market - - -	37 - -
				Town serjeant's salary - - -	14 4 -
				Crier's - - ditto - - -	1 1 -
				Expenses of grand jury 9th October,	
				about - - -	3 3 -
				Rents:—High Lord - - £.1 18 6	371 18 8
				Mr. Jenney - - - 1 11 6	3 10 -
				Taxes:—Land-tax } about - - - {	12 2 6
				Poor's rate - - -	117 2 6
				Highway rates - - -	8 - -
				Church rates - - -	26 12 -
				Lighting and paving - - -	46 14 -
				Petty expenses:—Expenses of town	
				court - - - £.1 10 -	about - - -
				Constable's bill about 26 - -	32 10 -
				Prison expenses about 5 - -	
				Interest to Lord Falmouth on 1,500 <i>l.</i>	60 - -
				Mr. J. Nankivell 300 <i>l.</i>	15 - -
				Mrs. Oates - 650 <i>l.</i>	32 10 -
				Mr. Hingston 50 <i>l.</i>	2 10 -
				Mr. Floyd - 300 <i>l.</i>	15 - -
				Mrs. Oates, about 250 <i>l.</i>	12 10 -
				Ditto - - - 446 <i>l.</i>	
				at 4 per cent. - - -	18 - -
				Ditto yearly instalments	
				on ditto till liquidated	25 - -
				Charges which will annually be	
				made, but amount uncertain, as—	
				Solicitor's bill, Printer's ditto,	
				Smith's ditto, Carpenter's	
				ditto, Mason's ditto, Engine	
				ditto, Prison-keeper's ditto,	
				Crane ditto, Coroner's ditto,	
				Repairs to estates, Tregear's	
				bridge and water, Clearing	
				channel, Expenses about	
				deserters.	
				Expenses of vagrants, &c., at least	150 - -
				Leaving a disposable balance of -	£. 941 7 8
					89 7 4
					£. 1,030 15 -

White's charity is 5*l.* yearly from Sir Charles Lemon; but the same sum is laid out as soon as received, and in fact belongs to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Mary's to receive and disburse.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Truro.

THE mayor and recorder are the only members of the Corporation who, by virtue of their election, are justices of the peace for the borough.

The present recorder, Edward Earl of Falmouth, was elected on the 27th July 1808.

Names of Mayors.	Professions and Trades.	When.	Names of Mayors.	Professions and Trades.	When.
John Buckingham -	Surgeon - - - -	1813	Clement Carlyon -	M. D. - - - -	1824
L. C. Daubuz - -	Merchant - - - -	1814	George Thomas - -	Gentleman - - -	1825
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - -	1815	J. T. Nankivell - -	Wine-merchant -	1826
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - -	1816	J. Hosken James -	Solicitor - - - -	1827
Thomas Daniell -	Esquire - - - -	1817	J. W. Chilcott - -	ditto - - - -	1828
James Kempe - -	Surgeon - - - -	1818	James Ferris - -	Surgeon - - - -	1829
J. F. Bennallack -	Solicitor - - - -	1819	William Paul - -	Esquire - - - -	1830
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - -	1820	Clement Carlyon -	M. D. - - - -	1831
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - -	1821	George Pooley - -	Lieut. R. N. - -	1832
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - -	1822	who is the present mayor.		
William Paul - -	Esquire - - - -	1823			

14th February 1833.

Hosken James, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WALLINGFORD.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

A CHARITY founded by *Walter Bigg*, Esquire, being an annual sum of 20*l.* paid to the mayor of the borough for the time being by the Worshipful Company of Mercers within the city of London. The objects are 15 poor persons of the borough, elected for life by the Corporation, and the sum is annually divided between the 15.

A charity called "Angiers," consisting of a dwelling-house, situate in the parish of Saint Leonard, within the borough, used as an almshouse, with the garden ground belonging, and two freehold closes of meadow, called Great Stratford and Little Stratford Meadows, in the parish of Chalgrove, Oxon. Also, a freehold fishery in the river Thames, and divers eyots belonging, in the parish of Northstoke, Oxon, and 300*l.* stock in the Three per Cent. Consols. The Stratford meadows are let on lease to Thomas Weller, of Roke, Oxon, at 37*l.* per annum, and the fishery and eyots were let on lease to the late Lord Bishop of Durham (of which there are several years now unexpired), at 30*l.* per annum. The objects of the charity are six poor widows or widowers, elected for life by the Corporation into the said almshouse. The original charity was founded by *William Angiers*, and Mary his sister, or one of them, by a conveyance of the said Stratford meadows; and the same was afterwards increased by Thomas Toovey, gentleman, and Anne his wife, by a conveyance of said fishery and eyots; and again increased by John Richardson, gentleman, by a bequest of said stock; and the income is weekly applied by the chamberlain of the Corporation for the benefit of the alms-objects, who are at present six women.

A charity founded by Sir *Thomas Bennett*, being 20*l.* per annum, paid to the mayor by the Worshipful Company of Merchant Tailors within the city of London; 10*l.* per annum, part thereof, paid to the master of the free grammar school for educating six poor boys, elected by the aldermen; and the remaining 10*l.* paid annually to ten poor persons of the borough, elected for life by the aldermen.

A charity founded by Archbishop *Laud*, consisting of divers fee-farm rents, issuing out of estates in the parish of East Hagborn, and hamlet of Aston Upthorpe, Berks, the gross annual amount being 49*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* The objects of the charity are for apprenticing five boys in each year for two succeeding years, and every third year for the portions of three poor maids elected by the Corporation.

A charity founded by *Henry Fludger*, Esquire, being a bequest of 1,000*l.* stock, Three per Cent. Consols (but 100*l.* stock, part thereof, was sold to discharge the legacy duty). The dividends are payable to the aldermen, who pay the same annually, equally, between 30 poor aged inhabitants of the borough.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Wallingford.*

John Allnatt	-	-	Esquire.	Job Wells	-	-	Banker.
Richard Rathill	-	-	Draper.	Thomas Greenwood	-	-	Esquire.
John Hedges	-	-	Gentleman.	George William Birkett	-	-	Grocer.
Edward Button	-	-	Grocer.	James Bennett	-	-	Farmer.
Robert Dalsell	-	-	Esquire.	Humphry Francis Walcott	-	-	Esquire.
Charles Atherton Allnatt	-	-	Banker.	Edward Wells	-	-	Brewer.
Edward Wells	-	-	Esquire.	Thomas Wells	-	-	Wine Merchant.
Benjamin Bennett	-	-	Gentleman.	Edward Button	-	-	Grocer.

*John A. Hedges*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WALSALL.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Charitable Funds.	Other Property.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
A rent-charge of 2 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> per annum, from lands at Bentley, in Staffordshire.	- - -	-- By an old benefaction of Richard Stone.	-- To buy four poor people's coats, against Christide, yearly.	-- Distributed according to the intent of the donor.
A small estate in the parishes of Walsall and Norton, in Staffordshire, producing 43 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per annum.	- - -	-- By conveyance in 1657, and surrender to the Corporation in trust.	-- To put out poor children apprentice.	Distributed accordingly.
Another small estate in the parish of Walsall, producing 19 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per annum.	- - -	By conveyance in 1702.	-- For the use of the poor of the borough of Walsall.	Clothing to poor women.

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Charitable Funds.	Other Property.	The Manner in which the same have been acquired.	The Purposes for which the same were given.	The Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
—	An estate at Bascote, Long Ichington and Stockton, in Warwickshire, producing 412 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> per annum;— and buildings and land in the parish of Walsall, in Staffordshire, producing 395 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> per annum.	-- By letters patent, dated 13 July, 28th year of Queen Elizabeth, and by conveyance in 1602.	-- For the absolute use of the Corporation, without any trust or condition.	-- The necessary municipal business of the town and parish, general improvements therein, endowment of almshouses. N. B.—There is a sum of 1,000 <i>l.</i> and upwards now due and unpaid by the Corporation for improvements made by them within the town during the last two years.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Walsall.*

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	Duration of Office, from Michaelmas to Michaelmas in each Year.
James Adams - - -	Surgeon - -	1812 to 1813 and 1813 to 1814.
Samuel Sharratt - - -	Merchant - -	1813 to 1814 and 1814 to 1815.
Charles Henry Darwall - - -	Solicitor - -	1814 to 1815 and 1815 to 1816.
John Wood - - -	Saddlers' Ironmonger	1815 to 1816 and 1816 to 1817.
Samuel Fletcher - - -	Merchant - -	1816 to 1817 and 1817 to 1818.
John Adams - - -	Merchant - -	1817 to 1818 and 1818 to 1819.
Charles Smith Forster - - -	Banker - -	1818 to 1819 and 1819 to 1820.
Charles Windle - - -	Factor - -	1819 to 1820 and 1820 to 1821.
William Marshall - - -	Banker - -	1820 to 1821 and 1821 to 1822.
John Forster - - -	Solicitor - -	1821 to 1822 and 1822 to 1823.
Richard Rutter - - -	Druggist and Grocer	1822 to 1823 and 1823 to 1824.
Henry Christopher Windle - - -	Factor - -	1823 to 1824 and 1824 to 1825.
Samuel Fletcher - - -	Merchant - -	1824 to 1825 and 1825 to 1826.
Charles Henry Darwall - - -	Solicitor - -	1825 to 1826 and 1826 to 1827.
John Heeley - - -	Solicitor - -	1826 to 1827 and 1827 to 1828.
Richard Rutter - - -	Druggist and Grocer	1827 to 1828 and 1828 to 1829.
Charles Smith Forster - - -	Banker - -	1828 to 1829 and 1829 to 1830.
Samuel Sharratt - - -	Merchant - -	1829 to 1830 and 1830 to 1831.
John Heeley - - -	Solicitor - -	1830 to 1831 and 1831 to 1832.
Thomas Dickinson - - -	Surgeon - -	1831 to April 1832.
Thomas Hall - - -	Currier - -	From April 1832 to Michaelmas 1832, and from Michaelmas 1832 to 1833.
James Russell - - -	Gas-tube maker - -	1832 to 1833 and 1833 to 1834.
Nathaniel Gooding Clarke, Esquire, K. C.	Barrister at Law -	Elected 28th June 1794: now in office.
Charles Forster - - -	Banker - -	From 29 Sept. 1804 to June 1815, when he died and was succeeded by
James Adams - - -	Surgeon - -	From July 1815 to April 1832, when he died.
Charles Windle - - -	Factor - -	From 18 January 1805 to 29 Sept. 1817, when he resigned.
John Wood - - -	Saddlers' Ironmonger	From 4 October 1831: now in office.
19th February 1833.		Geo. B. Stubbs, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WAREHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation, as a body, have not acquired any funds or other property for their own benefit or charitable purposes, except as hereafter stated.

The estates and funded property belonging to the almshouse are vested in feoffees, and those feoffees have generally been the recorder and aldermen. The almshouse was anciently built and endowed by one *John Stretch*, Esquire, for the maintenance of six poor men and five poor women. The rents arising from the estates, and the dividends arising from the funded property, are applied solely to their use. Other monies were also given by will to, and which are now vested in, the rector of Wareham, the

recorder and mayor for the time being. The dividends are 27*l.*, 6*l.* of which are annually divided amongst the almspeople, and the remainder (21*l.*) between four poor women and two poor men, as directed by the will of the donor, with which the Corporation, as a body, have nothing whatever to do.

The mayor is in possession of certain dues arising from the quays, markets and commons belonging to Wareham. The quay dues are small and uncertain, and are applied to the repairs of the quays. The market and commons dues annually amount to about 25*l.* and which sum is applied to the repairs of the market-house and places, and keeping the commons in order for the depasturing of cattle; but by whom the latter were granted is unknown. The fairs and markets are granted to the body corporate by charter.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Wareham.*

No officer of the Corporation has filled the office of Magistrate during the last twenty years.

Magistrates' Names.	Profession or Trade.	Years in Office as Mayor.	Years in Office as Justice of the Peace.
Harry Hammond - - -	Shopkeeper -	1812-13	1813-14
Stephen White - - -	Brewer -	1813-14	1814-15
Rev. George Hooton Hyde - -	Clerk -	1814-15	1815-16
John Card - - -	Builder -	1815-16	1816-17
John Cole - - -	Merchant -	1816-17	1817-18
Thomas Pink - - -	Gentleman -	1817-18	1818-19
Edward Dean - - -	Cornfactor -	1818-19	1819-20
Joseph Hanwell - - -	Esquire -	1819-20	1820-21
Harry Hammond - - -	Yeoman -	1820-21	1821-22
Stephen White - - -	Brewer -	1821-22	1822-23
Joseph Staines - - -	Surgeon -	1822-23	1823-24
George Hooton Hyde - - -	Clerk -	1823-24	1824-25
Henry Everingham - - -	Surgeon -	1824-25	1825-26
Thomas Pink - - -	Gentleman -	1825-26	1826-27
Edward Dean - - -	Cornfactor -	1826-27	1827-28
Joseph Hanwell - - -	Esquire -	1827-28	1828-29
Joseph Staines Cope - - -	Surgeon -	1828-29	1829-30
Harry Hammond - - -	Yeoman -	1829-30	1830-31
Stephen White - - -	Brewer -	1830-31	1831-32
Henry Everingham - - -	Surgeon -	1831-32	1832-33
Thomas Pink - - -	Gentleman -	1832-33	

RECORDERS.

The Right hon. Nathaniel Bond, Barrister at Law, from 1784 to 1824.  
Thomas Bartlett, the present Recorder, Solicitor, from 1824.

16th February 1833.

C. O. Bartlett, Town Clerk.

CORPORATION OF WARWICK.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir,

Warwick, 6 March 1833.

For an account of the charitable funds and other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation of this borough, the manner in which the same have been acquired, and the purposes for which the same were given, and the mode in which they are distributed and applied, I must beg to refer you to the Report of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning the Charities in England and Wales, under the head "Borough of Warwick," where I believe the funds and property of which the Corporation have the application are described and set forth.

Of course the present amount of the funds possessed by the Corporation will not appear in the Report, yet it is presumed sufficient may be collected from it to satisfy the purposes of your inquiry; if not, and you will have the goodness to say what further information you desire, I will endeavour to obtain and transmit it with the least possible delay.

S. M. Phillipps, Esq.

I am, &c.

Ja<sup>s</sup> Tibbits, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Warwick.*

Abraham Blick - - -	Gentleman.	Charles Wake - - -	Doctor of Medicine.
John Bohun Smyth - - -	Solicitor.	Rev. Thomas Cattell - -	Clerk.
George Cattell - - -	Esquire.	John Wilmshurst - - -	Surgeon.
Charles Gregory Wade - -	Esquire.	William Tibbits - - -	Solicitor.
William Dwaris - - -	Esquire.	Daniel Winter Barbury -	Solicitor.
George Boswell - - -	Esquire.	Thomas Collins - - -	Gentleman.
John Edwards - - -	Esquire.	Joseph Ward - - -	Grocer.
Samuel Edward Steward - -	Esquire.	Thomas Jones - - -	Draper.
Kelynge Greenway - - -	Solicitor and Banker.	Edward Dodd - - -	Mealman.

Ja<sup>s</sup> Tibbits, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WELLS.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

## No. 1.—A CHARITY called LLEWELLYN'S ALMSHOUSE.

THE pecuniary funds belonging to this charity consist of the sum of 2,660*l.*, which is invested, as follows, to different persons :

as follows, to different persons:							Produce per annum.			
	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
At 5 <i>l.</i> per cent. lent on mortgage - - - - -	1,740	-	-		87	-	-			
At 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ <i>l.</i> per cent. - ditto - - - - -	700	-	-		31	10	-			
On a bond, at 5 <i>l.</i> per cent. - - - - -	100	-	-		5	-	-			
On a bond, payable by instalments (without interest) being taken to secure a doubtful debt - - - - -	120	-	-							

The following lands also belong to the said almshouse :

	A.	R.	P.
Divers lands and premises, situate in the parish of Wedmore, in the county of Somerset, containing by admeasurement - - -	140	-	8
Divers lands, being allotments in lieu of right of common, awarded on the inclosure of certain moors and waste lands, over which the ancient premises had rights of common in respect of such ancient premises - - - - -	35	-	29

These lands (with the exception of one close, called Dunningham, after mentioned), are all let on leases for three lives, and renewals are granted according to the value of the premises and the ages of the existing lives, on the best terms for the charity. Much the greater part of the property is full stated. There are lord's rent reserved, which amounts to the annual sum of - £.28 14 2

And land-tax redeemed - - - - - 3 - 7  $\frac{1}{2}$

31 14 9  $\frac{1}{2}$

The close called Dunningham is in hand, but let to tenant at rack-rent of 6*l.* per annum - - - - - 6 - -

This charity was originally founded by *Henry Llewellyn*, who, by his Will, dated the 22d July 1614, gave 500*l.* to the poor that were then and should be thereafter of the town of Wells, to be employed as follows:—First, his will was, that the said 500*l.* should be delivered to the said Corporation, and that they should employ the said 500*l.* to the use of his father and mother during their lives, and after their deaths that four of the senior masters of the said Corporation, with the consent of his executors and overseers, should bestow the said 500*l.* to build or buy some house and land to the use of the poor as aforesaid. And his will further was, that his executors should pay to the said Corporation, and if they refused to pay the same, then his will was, that the said Corporation should have his house and household stuff, and that it should be sold by the discretion of the said masters, executors and overseers, to the use of the poor as aforesaid.

The intentions of the founder were subsequently effectuated and lands purchased, and the premises were conveyed to trustees for the Corporation by Deed, dated 30th November 1630.

An almshouse was founded for the benefit of old women, widows.

The earliest account-book of the receipts and payments of the charity commences in 1706; and by it, it appears that six poor women then received each 1*s.* 6*d.* per week.

In addition to the original bequest of *Mr. Llewellyn*, the founder, the funds of the charity have been increased by legacies: 50*l.* given by *Mr. Dundee*, by his Will, dated 12th September 1794, and a Codicil thereto, the interest to be applied on St. Thomas's day yearly, equally between the four poor widows in the said almshouse.

*Mrs. Mary Pearce*, by her Will, dated 8th September 1803, gave 200*l.* to the trustees of the almshouse, for the use of the said charity.

These two legacies are thrown into the common fund of the said almshouse above set out.

The almshouse has been from time to time much increased. At present there are ten comfortable tenements, which are occupied by ten old women, who hold for life. The five senior are allowed 5*s.* 6*d.*; the five junior, 5*s.* each per week.

	£.	s.	d.
Annually, on St. Thomas's-day, each woman is allowed - - - - -	-	12	6
Ditto - on same day - - ditto - - - - - for coals - - - - -	-	5	-
Each woman is allowed every other year, for a cloth dress, &c. - - - - -	1	-	-
The other permanent annual expenses for a surgeon, agency and rent to the Corporation (on whose land the almshouse is built) amount to - - - - -	10	5	3
The only other annual expenses are for repairs of the almshouse, &c., and casual expenses relating to and on the lands, &c. which vary, but do not for the last twenty years average above, per annum - - - - -	11	-	-

The surplus funds, beyond the annual expenditure, are from time to time invested at interest, and when sufficiently accumulated the almshouse is increased, and more women appointed to receive the weekly benefit of the charity.

The management of the affairs of this charity are conducted by the Corporation at large, and from time to time the lands are conveyed to all the members *ex officio*, but the funds and property are kept distinct from the corporate account, and in no way whatever applied but for the purposes immediately relating to this charity.

A treasurer is annually appointed, distinct from the general treasurer of the Corporation.

The whole particulars of this charity are minutely set forth in the Third Report of the Parliamentary Commissioners, page 356 and *post*.

It will be observed, on reference to this Report, that certain lands were then in hand, let at rack-rent, and produced yearly 76*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*

These lands, except Dunningham, have been since leased, for three lives, by auction, and annual rents of 4*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* reserved on the leases; the purchase money received on granting them was 1,461*l.*, the whole of which being invested at 5*l.* per cent. with the reserved rents, produce annually to the charity—

Viz.—Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£. 73	1	-	£. s. d.
Reserved rents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5	6	77 6 6

Rather a larger income (independent of the advantages of renewals on the death of the lives) than it did when the property was let at rack-rent.

#### No. 2.—AUGUSTINE JEFFERIES'S CHARITY.

This charity was founded by *Augustine Jefferies*, who by his Will, dated 20th May. 1642, gave 200*l.* in these words:—

“*Item*.—I give the sum of 200*l.* to buy a piece of land, for the use of some poor burgesses or other poor people of the inhabitants of the city or borough of Wells, to be paid 20*s.* a piece for ever unto each of them; namely, 10*s.* a piece on St. Thomas's day to each, and 10*s.* a piece, on Good Friday, to six, seven or eight or more poor people, according to the yearly value of the revenue which will arise by the year. For the purchasing of this land, I do appoint my wife the executrix, with the advice of my overseers and the best counsel-at-law they can get, and to purchase and to settle those lands unto the mayor and three of the eldest masters as feoffees, in trust, by them to be paid unto the poor people of the said city as above expressed; also I give unto the mayor and three eldest masters, and the town clerk, the sum of 20*s.* yearly out of the said land, to be divided equally amongst them, which is 4*s.* a piece, for their pains-taking in letting and receiving the yearly rent of the said land.” And that he made Eleanor his wife executrix of his will.

By an Indenture, dated 20th January 1649, *Herculus Whiting* conveyed to the mayor, masters and burgesses of the said city or borough of Wells (in consideration of 200*l.* and for the better performance of the said Will) one close of meadow or pasture land, called Coleman's Croft, containing by estimation three acres; and one other close, called Lower Tadlowe, containing by estimation four acres, situate at Shepton Mallet, to hold to the said mayor and others, and their successors, for ever.

These lands are now in the possession of the mayor and three eldest masters of the Corporation, and are let to Thomas Tidcombe, as tenant, at the yearly rent of 16*l.*

The rent is paid over to the mayor and three eldest masters, and distributed (after deducting repairs) among the poor burgesses and others of the city, according to the Will of the testator.

*N. B.*—The Corporation of the city of Wells is possessed of other corporate property, viz. lands, houses, &c. &c. but no other charity property than above stated; and as it is considered that charity property is the only property required to be set out in this return, none other is included.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Wells.

Maurice Davies, jun.	-	-	-	-	Linendraper.	Henry Hope	-	-	-	-	Banker.
Francis Drake	-	-	-	-	Esquire, Recorder.	William Gould	-	-	-	-	Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, Recorder.
Edward Spencer	-	-	-	-	M. D.	Robert Brooks	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.
Henry Brookes	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.	Robert Welsh	-	-	-	-	Attorney-at-Law.
John Paine Tudway	-	-	-	-	Esquire.	John Lax	-	-	-	-	Maltster.
Robert Lax	-	-	-	-	Esquire.	Ambrose Goddard Lethbridge,	-	-	-	-	Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, Recorder.
Francis Besly	-	-	-	-	Druggist.	John Nicholls	-	-	-	-	Surgeon.
Joseph Teek	-	-	-	-	Gentleman.						
Stephen Davies	-	-	-	-	Maltster.						

*N. B.*—The corporate officers, who are *ex officio* magistrates, are, the mayor and justice (who are annually chosen from the eight masters), and also the recorder.

27th February 1833.

Robt Davies, Town Clerk.

### CORPORATION OF WENLOCK.

#### CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Corporation of Wenlock are not possessed of any charitable funds or other property, except the tolls of the market, producing an annual income of about nine or ten pounds.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Wenlock.

1813: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Michael Pye Stephens, Clerk, elected Bailiff of Wenlock, and in consequence of such election becomes a magistrate, and acts as such for two years following.

1814: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Townsend Forester, Doctor in Divinity, elected Bailiff, and same as Mr. Stephens.

1815: Sept. 29.—George Goodwin, Esquire - - - - - Same as 1813

1816: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Michael Pye Stephens, Clerk - - - - - ditto 1813

1817: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Townsend Forester, Doctor in Divinity - - - - - ditto 1813

1818: Sept. 29.—George Goodwin, Esquire - - - - - ditto 1813

1819:

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

1819: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Michael Pye Stephens, Clerk	- - - - -	Same as 1813
1820: Sept. 29.—Francis Blithe Harries, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1821: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Townsend Forester, Doctor in Divinity	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1822: Sept. 29.—The Rev. William Bates, Clerk	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1823: Sept. 29.—Edward Howells, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1824: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Townsend Forester, Doctor in Divinity	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1825: Sept. 29.—Edward Howells, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1826: Sept. 29.—Francis Harries, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1827: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Edward Tellet, Clerk	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1828: Sept. 29.—Francis Blithe Harries, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1829: Sept. 29.—Edward Howells, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1830: June 4.—The Rev. Edward Tellet, elected and sworn Bailiff, in the stead of Edward Howells, deceased	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1830: Sept. 29.—The Rev. William Bates, Clerk	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1831: Sept. 29.—The Rev. Edward Tellet, Clerk	- - - - -	ditto 1813
1832: Sept. 29.—Francis Blithe Harries, Esquire	- - - - -	ditto 1813
Thomas Pemberton, Esquire, deceased, and Thomas Eyton, Esquire, the late and present Recorder of Wenlock, have served that office for the last 22 years, and acted as magistrates in virtue of their office.		

13 February 1833.

Richard Collins, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WELCHPOOL.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Lord John de Charlton, Lord Powys, by his charter, bearing date 17 King Edward II., gave and granted to his beloved burgesses of the community of the town of Pool, common of pasture daily for their cattle in certain common land nearly adjoining the said town, to have and to hold to them and their heirs for ever; which grant was afterwards confirmed by his successor Edward de Charlton, Lord of Powys, the land continuing as an open field or common from that time until the year 1761, when an Act was passed, with the consent and approbation of the bailiffs, aldermen and burgesses of Pool, entitled, "An Act for dividing, inclosing and allotting the Moors, Commons and Waste Grounds, commonly called Pool Common, within the Manors of Llanerchydol and Street Marcel, in the Parishes of Pool and Guilsfield, in the County of Montgomery," when it was divided and inclosed by commissioners appointed for that purpose. One of the provisions of the Act, amongst other things, directs and enacts, that the clear yearly rents, issues and profits arising or to be made from the said common and waste grounds so to be allotted to the said Corporation, should in the first place be applied towards building, repairing, beautifying, enlarging and maintaining in good condition and repair the public edifices belonging to the said borough and Corporation of Pool, which were then greatly gone to decay, and the surplus of such rents and profits, after answering the purposes aforesaid, and in discharging the money that might at any time be borrowed by the said Corporation, together with all interest due thereon, should be applied for the benefit of the poor and distressed burgesses of the said borough, in such manner as the said bailiffs, aldermen and burgesses should order and direct. The Corporation have not only contributed very largely, in aid of a subscription made in the county, to the rebuilding a new town hall in Pool (the assizes for the county being held in the town), but have ever since its erection, about 35 years ago, kept it in repair, without any assistance whatever from the county. The town hall has also been enlarged within the last nine years for the public use; and there is a debt due from the Corporation (upon money borrowed for those purposes) of 300*l.* and upwards, which carries interest. There are constant demands for repairs and other outgoings, either for the town hall or for the butter and corn-markets under its roof, and these demands, with the interest on the money borrowed, and the progressive liquidation of the debt, leave but a small sum to be annually divided amongst the poor burgesses. The Corporation accounts are examined and audited every New-year's day, except it falls on a Sunday, and then the following day, at which the bailiffs, aldermen and burgesses attend, and the greatest part of the surplus in hand is distributed.

The rental of the above land (which is 74  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres, not 156, as supposed to be in the preamble of the Act) amounts to 136*l.* 5*s.*

The Corporation have no other charitable funds.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Welchpool.

Thomas Morgan	- - - -	Esquire.	William Clive	- - - -	Clerk.
Edward Pugh	- - - -	Ironmonger.	Thomas Johnes	- - - -	Solicitor.
George Gould	- - - -	Esquire.	Francis Allen	- - - -	Solicitor.
William Jones	- - - -	Tanner.	John Davies Corrie	- - - -	Solicitor.
William Owen	- - - -	Surgeon.	Thomas Beck	- - - -	Banker.
Edward Jones	- - - -	Clerk.	Panton Corbett	- - - -	Esquire, High Steward.
Richard Griffiths	- - - -	Solicitor.	David Pugh	- - - -	Esquire, Recorder.
William Parry	- - - -	Gentleman.			
Thomas Davies	- - - -	Gentleman.			

9th March 1833.

Thomas Morgan.



## CORPORATION OF WESTMINSTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THERE are no charitable funds or other property in the possession, order or disposition of the Corporation, except a sum of 500*l.* which is paid annually by the Lords of His Majesty's Treasury, for supporting and maintaining the jurisdiction of the city and liberty of Westminster.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Westminster.*

By the Act of the 27th of Queen Elizabeth, the civil government of the city of Westminster was placed under the direction and control of the dean, lord high steward and deputy high steward of the said city, and of twelve burgesses and twelve assistants.

26th February 1833.

*John Robson*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WEYMOUTH.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Sir *Samuel Mico*, knight, bequeathed 500*l.* by his Will, to be laid out in the purchase of lands, the produce of which, after deducting 20 *s.* yearly for a sermon, was to be given annually to ten decayed seamen of the town. The present annual value amounts to 75*l.*

He also devised certain tenements in the town, at the present time producing annually 78*l.* 13 *s.* for the purpose of binding out poor boys apprentices.

*Jonathan Taylor*, by Will, gave a certain sum of money, which is now invested in the New Three-and-a-half per Cents. amounting to 235*l.* 3 *s.* 3 *d.* for the purpose of instructing three poor boys in the art of navigation.

*Jonathian Edwards* and *Rebecca* his wife, by Deed, gave a brick-field, in Weymouth, for the benefit of four poor widows; on which four cottages have been recently erected for their use at the joint expense of the Corporation and the rector of Wyke Regis, in whom the property is vested.

The property in the possession of the Corporation, amounting to about 300*l.* per annum, is applied to the general purposes of the town.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Weymouth.*

1813:  
Henry Hayes Tizard - Attorney at Law.  
William Weston - Collector of the Customs.  
Samuel Weston - Timber Merchant.

1814:  
James Sanders - Officer of the Customs.  
Henry Hayes Tizard.  
Samuel Weston.

1815:  
James Bower - Banker.  
Samuel Weston.  
James Sanders.

1816:  
William Bayly - Gentleman.  
James Bower.  
Samuel Weston.

1817:  
Roper Weston - Collector of the Customs.  
James Bower.  
William Weston.

1818:  
James Bower.  
Roper Weston.  
H. H. Tizard.

1819:  
William Oakley - Timber Merchant.  
James Bower.  
Roper Weston.

1820:  
James Willis Weston - Timber Merchant.  
James Bower.  
Roper Weston.

1821:  
Richard Bower - Wine Merchant.  
James Bower.  
Roper Weston.

1822:  
William Oakley.  
James Bower.  
Roper Weston.

1823:  
Joseph Horsford - Gentleman.  
William Oakley.  
William Bayly.

1824:  
John Martin - Gentleman.  
Joseph Horsford.  
William Oakley.

1825:  
John Martin.  
Joseph Horsford.  
William Oakley.

1826:  
James W. Weston.  
Joseph Horsford.  
William Oakley.

1827:  
William Oakley.  
James W. Weston.  
John Martin.

1828:  
William Devenish - Brewer.  
James W. Weston.  
John Martin.

1829:  
Richard Bower.  
James W. Weston.  
William Oakley.

1830:  
James Bower.  
Richard Bower.  
William Heath - Gentleman.

1831:—Same.

1832:—Same.

1833:—Same.

19th February 1833.

*H. H. Tizard*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WIGAN.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

1632, June 1st.—By Indenture of feoffment of this date, a cottage and 13 acres of land were conveyed to the mayor, aldermen, bailiffs and burgesses of the borough of Wigan, the rent whereof was directed to be employed for the relief and benefit of the poor people, inhabitants of the said town and borough.

The rent of this estate has been regularly employed in the way directed by the deed.

1639, June 17th.—By Indenture of feoffment of this date, two closes of land in Wigan were purchased by the mayor, recorder, aldermen, bailiffs and burgesses, with the sum of 140*l.* given by *Henry Mason*, rector of St. Andrew Undershaft, in London, the yearly rents of which were directed to be employed for the relief and benefit of the poor people, inhabitants of the said town and borough.

The rent of these closes has been employed in the way directed by the deed.

1642, March 26th.—*John Bullock*, by his Will of this date, charged all his messuages and lands in the parishes of St. Dunstan's in the East and St. Botolph's in London, and in the town of Wigan, with a rent-charge of 5*l.* payable to the mayor, aldermen and overseers of Wigan and their successors, and directed the same to be distributed immediately after the receipt thereof by the said overseers, and two of his nearest kinsmen, to the most needy poor inhabitants living in the said town of Wigan.

Nothing can be ascertained about this rent-charge, as to its having been paid, or if paid, to whom, or how applied.

1706, April 1st.—*James Molyneux*, by his Will of this date, bequeathed, after the death of his wife, his lands of inheritance, and a leasehold messuage in the Wiend in Wigan, to trustees, upon trust, to stand possessed of the same until out of the rents thereof they should receive the sum of 100*l.*, and that they should put forth the same at interest, or bestow the same with the advice of the mayor and aldermen of Wigan upon lands of inheritance, or a rent-charge in fee, and bestow the produce thereof either upon the poor inhabitants of Wigan, or binding poor children of Wigan apprentices, or both or either, as the mayor and aldermen should think fit.

This sum was raised and placed out at interest, on the bond of the then Earl of Barrymore and Sir Roger Bradshaigh, and was made payable to the mayor and aldermen for the use of the poor of Wigan. The said sum and interest thereon remained in the hands of his lordship and Sir Roger, until it amounted to the sum of 200*l.*; but the honourable Richard Barry, one of the sons and surviving executor of the Earl of Barrymore, conveyed to the then mayor, aldermen and burgesses, and their heirs, a dwelling-house in Wigan, the yearly rent of which was to be employed towards the benefit, relief and sustentation, support and employment of the poor people, inhabitants of the town and borough of Wigan; and the rents have always been carried to the overseer's general account.

*Tho. Grimshaw*, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Wigan.

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	When appointed.
John Hopwood - - -	Merchant - - -	Michaelmas Court Leet, 1812.
Joseph Bevan - - -	Gentleman - - -	Same time.
John Hodson Kearsley - - -	Linen Merchant - - -	Michaelmas 1813.
John Hopwood - - -	Merchant - - -	Same time.
Thomas Newsham - - -	Cotton Manufacturer - - -	Michaelmas 1814.
John Hodson Kearsley - - -	Linen Merchant - - -	Same time.
Robert Bolton - - -	Brass Founder - - -	Michaelmas 1815.
Thomas Newsham - - -	Cotton Manufacturer - - -	Same time.
William Eccles - - -	Cotton Manufacturer - - -	Michaelmas 1816.
Robert Bolton - - -	Brass Founder - - -	Same time.
Thomas Woodcock - - -	Banker - - -	Michaelmas 1817.
William Eccles - - -	Cotton Manufacturer - - -	Same time.
Joseph Bevan - - -	Gentleman - - -	Michaelmas 1818.
Thomas Woodcock - - -	Banker - - -	Same time.
John Hodson Kearsley - - -	Brewer - - -	Michaelmas 1819.
Joseph Bevan - - -	Gentleman - - -	Same time.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Michaelmas 1820.
John Hodson Kearsley - - -	Brewer - - -	Same time.
Henry Gaskell - - -	Solicitor - - -	Michaelmas 1821.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Same time.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Michaelmas 1822.
Henry Gaskell - - -	Solicitor - - -	Same time.
Thomas Darwell - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Michaelmas 1823.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Same time.
Alexander Haliburton - - -	Gentleman - - -	Michaelmas 1824.
Thomas Darwell - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Same time.
John Hodson Kearsley - - -	Brewer - - -	Michaelmas 1825.
Alexander Haliburton - - -	Gentleman - - -	Same time.
Thomas Hardman - - -	Cotton Spinner - - -	Michaelmas 1826.
John Hodson Kearsley - - -	Brewer - - -	Same time.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*continued.*

NAMES.	Professions and Trades.	When appointed.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Michaelmas 1827.
Thomas Hardman - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Same time.
Thomas Hardman - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Michaelmas 1828.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Same time.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Michaelmas 1829.
Thomas Hardman - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Same time.
Thomas Darwell - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Michaelmas 1830.
Henry Bullock - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Same time.
John Lord - - -	Solicitor - - -	Michaelmas 1831.
Thomas Darwell - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	Same time.
Thomas Hardman - - -	Cotton Spinner - -	25th February 1832, under a new charter.
Joseph Bevan - - -	Gentleman - - -	5th March 1832, under the same charter.
John Woodcock - - -	Banker - - -	Michaelmas 1832.
John Lord - - -	Solicitor - - -	Same time.

*Tho. Grimshaw, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF WINCHESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE charitable funds and property formerly in the possession of and under the control of the Corporation of this city, have, by a recent decree of the Court of Chancery, and by an Act of Parliament passed in the tenth year of his late Majesty George the Fourth, been transferred to certain trustees appointed by the Court; so that the Corporation of this city have now no charitable funds or property whatever under their control, except an annual payment of about 16*l.* which they receive from the Mercers' Company in London; a small donation of 5*l.* payable annually out of an estate at Bishopstoke, near this city; which sums are annually given to certain poor persons in the city in bread.

Feb. 14, 1833.

*H<sup>d</sup> Godwin, Town Clerk.*

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Winchester.*

1812:  
 Richard Henry Lloyd - - Grocer.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 John Ridding - - - - Attorney.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 Sir Henry Carew St. John  
 Mildmay - - - - Baronet.  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 William Cave - - - - Painter.

1813 and 1814: same.

1815:  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 Richard Henry Lloyd - - Grocer.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 Sir Henry Carew St. John  
 Mildmay - - - - Baronet.  
 William Cave - - - - Painter.  
 Rev. Wm. Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.

1816:  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 Richard Henry Lloyd - - Grocer.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 Sir Henry Carew St. John  
 Mildmay - - - - Baronet.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.

1817: same.

1818:  
 Paulet St. John Mildmay - Esquire.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 Richard Henry Lloyd - - Grocer.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.

1819:  
 Richard Plantagenet Earl Temple.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 Richard Henry Lloyd - - Grocer.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.

1820:  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 Richard Henry Lloyd - - Grocer.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.

1821:  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Druitt - - - - Draper.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.

1822

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

1822:  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.  
 Richard Littlehales - - - Banker.  
 Giles King Lyford - - - Surgeon.

1823, 1824, 1825, 1826, 1827: same.

1828:  
 John Earle - - - - Druggist.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 Rev. William Hill Newbolt - Doctor of Divinity.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.  
 Richard Littlehales - - - Banker.  
 Giles King Lyford - - - Surgeon.

1829 and 1830: same.

1831:  
 John Earle - - - - Druggist.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.  
 Richard Littlehales - - - Banker.  
 Giles King Lyford - - - Surgeon.

1832:  
 George William Chard - - Doctor of Music.  
 John Nicholas Silver - - Draper.  
 John Mant - - - - Banker.  
 William Barnes - - - - Brewer.  
 Giles King Lyford - - - Surgeon.  
 Richard Littlehales - - - Banker.  
 John Earle - - - - Druggist.

*H<sup>y</sup> Godwin, Town Clerk.*

## CORPORATION OF WINDSOR.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Charitable Funds or other Property.	How acquired.	For what Purpose given.	How now distributed or applied.
Six tenements and garden, Sheet-street, New Windsor.	-- By Assignment from the feoffees, in trust of William Paynell and T. Hunt, 1503.	-- For residence of poor men and women belonging to the parish.	Occupied by twelve old women.
Rent-charge of 27 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> per annum, on estates at Warfield, Berks, now the property of Sir J. Malcomb and others.	-- By Will of Thomas Brotherton in 1510, confirmed by Act of Parliament 8 Geo. III. c. 63.	-- Towards support of the above-mentioned almshouses.	So applied.
An eyot ground at Ruscombe, Berks.	By Will of Thomas Jenkinson, in 1596.	-- Rents to be distributed amongst the poor, at discretion of the mayor, three senior aldermen, and vicar of New Windsor.	-- Applied towards the support of the almshouses above mentioned.
Two tenements and land called Munday's Close, at Spital, in New Windsor.	By Will of Richard Gallis, in 1666.	-- For relief and maintenance of the almshouses.	So applied.
£. 210 New Three-and-a-half per Cent. (formerly 200 <i>l.</i> Navy Five per Cent.) Annuities.	By Will of Mary Field, in 1814.	-- For bread and coals to the above-mentioned almshouses.	So applied.
Four tenements and gardens in Bachelor's Acre, New Windsor.	-- By Assignment from Richard Reeve, esquire, in 1688.	For the use of four poor men and women.	So occupied.
Rent-charge of 40 <i>s.</i> per annum, on estate of Frederick Keppel, esq. in said borough.	-- By Will of Richard Topham, esquire, in 1730.	-- To be divided between the occupiers of the last-mentioned tenements.	So applied.
£. 50 legacy - - -	By Will of John Heaver, in 1670.	Interest for apprenticing poor children.	} -- The Corporation annually make up the interest on these sums to 10 <i>l.</i> , with which they put out one boy. -- Applied as directed by the Will, in consolidation with Mr. Randue's charity, next mentioned.
£. 50 donation - - -	By William Child, in his life-time.	For benefit of the poor -	
£. 50 per annum, fee-farm rents.	By Will of Archbishop Laud in 1672.	-- To apprentice five boys for two years successively, and in the third year to be divided as marriage portions between three poor maidens.	

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CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Charitable Funds or other Property.	How acquired.	For what Purpose given.	How now distributed or applied.
Lands in Winkfield and Bray, Berks, purchased with 1,250 <i>l.</i>	By Will of Theodore Randue, in 1724.	-- In augmentation of Archbishop Laud's charity, and for setting up in trade young men who have served seven years apprenticeship, and every third year to be given to three poor maidens, upon the conditions of Archbishop Laud's charity.	-- This and Archbishop Laud's charity are blended in one account, and the income applied in apprenticing boys and in rewarding maidens and faithful apprentices, agreeably to the terms of the Will.
Land at Langley, Bucks	By Will of Margaret Osbourne, in 1673.	To purchase corn and coals for the poor.	-- Rent distributed annually, on the 1st January, in bread. So applied.
Rent-charge of 5 <i>l.</i> per annum, out of land at Winkfield.	By Deed of Richard Reeve, esquire, in 1676.	-- To distribute to fifty poor, half-yearly, on 12th January and 12th July, 1 <i>s.</i> in bread.	
£.52. 10 <i>s.</i> New Three-and-a-half per Cent. (formerly Navy) Annuities.	By Will of James Pantton, in 1795.	-- To be distributed in bread to 25 poor persons on 12th January and 12th July, yearly.	So applied.
Rent-charge of 14 <i>l.</i> per annum, out of the Butchers' Shambles.	By Will of Andrew Windsor, in 1621.	To employ the poor in making cloth.	-- The produce of these three charities, in consequence of there being no spinners, is laid out in the purchase of 30 pair of sheets, which are given to the poor, and the surplus carried to the account of the almshouses first hereinbefore mentioned.
House in Peascod-street, New Windsor.	By Assignment from William Day, in 1664.	Rent to be distributed at discretion of the mayor.	
Land at Langley, Bucks	By Assignment from William Day, in 1668.	-- Rents to be given to the poor at discretion of the mayor, three senior aldermen and chamberlain.	
Rent-charge of 6 <i>l.</i> per annum, on the Catherine Wheel, at Colnbrook, Bucks.	By Deed of John Carey, in 1679.	To be given yearly to six poor widows.	So applied.
£.4,639. 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> Consolidated Three per Cent. Annuities.	By Will of Phebe Thomas, in 1821.	-- To be paid half-yearly in sums of 5 <i>l.</i> each to poor widows.	The dividends now paid to 14 widows.
£.666. 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Reduced Three per Cent. Annuities.	-- By Will of Caroline Matilda Smith, in 1830.	-- Dividends to be given to the poor in bread and fuel, yearly, on 18th February.	-- This stock has only been lately transferred to the Corporation.
Rent-charge of 6 <i>l.</i> per annum, on tenement in High-street, Windsor.	By Will of Arabella Reeve, in 1732.	-- To be given yearly to six poor widows, lame or blind.	So applied.

Feb. 13, 1833.

John Secker, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Windsor.*

William Hanson - - - - Silversmith.  
 John Hatch - - - - Gentleman.  
 John Snowden - - - - Grocer.  
 James Atkins - - - - Ironmonger.  
 Charles Layton - - - - Confectioner.  
 Charles Knight - - - - Stationer.  
 Edward Bovingdon - - - Gentleman.  
 George Davis - - - - Locksmith.  
 John Banister - - - - Butcher.

James Egelstone - - - - Gentleman.  
 John Chapman - - - - Knight.  
 Edward Brown - - - - Gentleman.  
 John Clode - - - - Innholder.  
 John Voules - - - - Corn Dealer.  
 Thomas Jenner - - - - Joiner.  
 Robert Tebbott - - - - Carpenter.  
 James Church - - - - Gentleman.  
 Charles Snowden - - - - Grocer.

Feb. 13, 1833.

John Secker, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF WOODSTOCK.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Description of Property.	How acquired.	For what Purposes.	How applied.
<b>GRAMMAR SCHOOL ESTATES:</b>			
House and close occupied by Cox, Morrell, & Co.	-- These estates were purchased with the sum of 300 <i>l.</i> bequeathed by the Will of Richard Cornwell, dated 16th May 1585.	-- To erect a free grammar school in the town of New Woodstock, and to purchase lands, &c. for the school and master.	-- These estates, from time immemorial, have been let on leases for 40 years, renewable at 14 years, and a fine paid on such renewal. The Corporation have received these rents and rent-charges, and paid the schoolmaster 30 <i>l.</i> , which is calculated upon an estimation of the value of the fines and reserved rents.
House occupied by Robert Haynes.			
Ditto by Knapp Money, part of school-house occupied by church-wardens.	-- Charged on an estate at Childry, Berks, the property of Sir John Gibbons, baronet.	To be paid to the master of the grammar school.	The school is a grammar school, and the master is engaged to
Rent-charge of 8 <i>l.</i> deducting 1 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> for land-tax.			
Rent-charge of 4 <i>l.</i> deducting 16 <i>s.</i> for land-tax.	-- By Will of Thomas Fletcher, dated 5th October 1616.		
teach the children of freemen in reading, writing and accounts, as well as the classics, for a sum not exceeding 15 <i>s.</i> a quarter; for other scholars he makes his own terms.			
Since the Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire concerning the Charities of England and Wales, the practice of granting leases of these charity estates has been discontinued.			
The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> called Johnson's Charity.	-- By Will of Benjamin Johnson, dated April 16th, 1714, and by accumulations.	-- For schooling five poor children at an English school.	-- The sum of 5 <i>l.</i> , being the interest of 100 <i>l.</i> , paid to the mistress of this school.
The sum of 28 <i>l.</i> also called Johnson's Charity.	- ditto - - -	-- To provide five new coats for the children of the above school.	-- £. 1. 8 <i>s.</i> , being the interest of 28 <i>l.</i> , is applied annually for clothing the children.
The sum of 4 <i>l.</i> - -	By Will of Thomas Fletcher.	-- For preaching five sermons, yearly, on certain days.	Paid to the rector for occasional sermons.
The sum of 4 <i>l.</i> - -	By the same Will -	-- To be given to such poor almspeople as should attend the above sermons.	Distributed to the poor in sixpences.
An annuity of 18 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>	-- The gift of Sir Thomas Spencer, and charged upon an estate at Yarnton, Oxon.	-- To 10 men 10 three-penny loaves, to 10 women 10 twopenny loaves, and to 20 children 20 penny loaves, every Sunday at	-- The amount is given in bread at the mayor's door, as directed, with the 1 <i>s.</i> and 6 <i>d.</i> on the days prescribed.
the mayor's door, and on the Sundays before Christmas-day and Easter-day, every man and woman 1 <i>s.</i> and every child 6 <i>d.</i> on their loaves.			
House called the Rectory and premises.	-- Conveyed from John Lord Bishop of Oxford, by Indenture, dated 6th July 1686.	-- For the rector of Bladon to dwell therein, and in case of his not doing so, the house to be let and the rents applied for the relief of the poor of Woodstock.	-- The house is occupied by the rector of Bladon-cum-Woodstock.
The sum of 14 <i>l.</i> -	By Will of Major, and accumulations.	-- The interest to be given away in bread to poor widows on St. Thomas's day.	-- The interest of 14 <i>l.</i> is given away in bread, as directed.
A rent-charge of 8 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> called Cary's Charity.	-- By Indenture, dated 8th March 1691, from John Cary.	-- To supply clothing for six poor men, six women, three boys and three girls.	The clothing is supplied as directed.
The sum of 46 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> -	-- By the Will of Mr. Adam Bellenger, and accumulations.	-- The interest to be given away to the poor in bread.	The interest is regularly distributed in bread.
The sum of 11 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> -	-- By the Will of Mr. Edmund Hiorn, and accumulations.	-- The interest to be given away in bread to the poor in the almshouse, on the 19th December and Good Friday.	The interest is given away as directed.
The sum of 15 <i>l.</i> -	-- By the Wills of Mr. Christopher Newell, Edmund Johnson and Benjamin Merrick.	-- The interest to be given to the poor in bread on St. Thomas's day.	The interest is given in bread, as directed.

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Description of Property.	How acquired.	For what Purposes.	How applied.
The sum of 20 <i>l.</i>	- - By the Wills of Sir Littleton Osbaldeston, Sir Thomas Cripps and Edward Fennemore.	-- The interest to be given to poor widows the day after Christmas-day in sixpences.	The interest is given away as directed.
The sum of 20 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of Mrs. Morgan.	-- The interest to be given to poor widows and other poor people on New-year's day.	The interest is given away as directed.
The sum of 15 <i>l.</i>	- - By the Will of Mr. Henry Hopkins and William Rayer.	-- The interest to be given to the poor in bread, on Good Friday.	The interest is given away as directed.
The sum of 20 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of Mr. Nash.	-- For a sermon to be preached in the afternoon of Whit Sunday.	-- The interest of these sums is paid to the rector.
The sum of 5 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of Alderman Medcalf.	For ditto on Candlemas-day.	
The sum of 10 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of Mr. Alderman Brown.	For two ditto on Easter-day.	Given away as directed.
A rent-charge of 6 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i>	- By the Will of Mr. Cornwell.	-- To be given to the poor in bread, on Good Friday.	
The sum of 40 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of John Case, Doctor of Physic.	-- To be lent four free comburgesses for six years, without interest.	This sum is lent as directed.
The sum of 80 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of Richard Nash.	-- To be lent to free comburgesses for six years, without interest.	This sum is lent as directed.
The sum of 100 <i>l.</i>	- - Given by Thomas Warburton, by Deed, dated 22d September 1743.	-- To be lent to free comburgesses for six years, without interest.	This sum is lent as directed.
The sum of 100 <i>l.</i>	- By the Will of John Taylor.	-- To be lent to four comburgesses for six years, without interest.	This sum is lent as directed.
The sum of 9 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 7½ <i>d.</i> And ditto 2 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>	- - Arising from quit-rents for encroachments on the town.	- - These sums are expended in the payment of rates and taxes, salaries to the officers and school-master, repairs and other general expenses, and the account is regularly entered and settled annually by the Corporation.	
The sum of 110 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 9½ <i>d.</i> from houses and land at rack rent.	- By the charters of the borough.		
The sum of 12 <i>l.</i> 11 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> from houses let on beneficial leases.	- - - - -		

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Woodstock.*

His Grace George Duke of Marlborough.  
 Benjamin Churchill - - - Auctioneer and  
 Maltster.  
 George Coles - - - Surgeon.  
 The Rev. William Mavor - Clerk.  
 Gainahel Hodgkinson Bobart, Gentleman.

James Blackstone - - - Barrister at Law.  
 Thomas Brown - - - Gentleman.  
 William Carter - - - Grocer.  
 His Grace George Duke of Marlborough.  
 George Coles - - - Surgeon.  
 Thomas Prior - - - Gentleman.

## CORPORATION OF WOKINGHAM.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

4th September 1673.—*Thomas Martin*, by Will of this date, gave an annuity of 6*l.* out of lands called Fieldhurst and Mudwalls, in Wokingham, Berks, to the chief magistrate, minister, churchwardens and overseers, to keep five poor boys at school, and give them each a new cloth coat and a pair of shoes. The donor's representative, after his decease, conveyed the inheritance of those lands to trustees for the same uses. The rent is now 15*l.* per annum, and appropriated to the keeping 20 boys at school.

13th August 1628.—*William Thare*, by Will of this date, gave 3*l.* yearly out of his houses in Downstreet, Wokingham (three cottages), and his pightle of land (about three-fourths of an acre) at Pattens Ash, in Wokingham, to the alderman and burgesses of Wokingham, to distribute yearly amongst six honest poor decayed tradesmen of the said town, and 3*s.* yearly to the trustees, to be spent when they meet to distribute.

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This property has been many years in the possession of the trustees, and now produces 10*l.* 12*s.* per annum. The 3*l.* is paid annually to six poor men (10*s.* each), and the 3*s.* spent by the trustees at their annual meeting, and the surplus is appropriated in keeping the cottages in repair.

10th February 1632.—*John Merryweather*, by Will of this date, gave 200*l.*; viz. 100*l.* to the magistrates and governor of Wokingham, and the other 100*l.* to trustees for Benson, in Oxfordshire, to be laid out in the purchase of land, one moiety of the rents, &c. to be received by the said magistrates, &c. and to be applied in purchasing upper garments for the poor of Wokingham.

20th June 1648.—A messuage and land at Finchhampstead, Berks, was purchased with the money, and is now and for many years past let at the yearly rent of 10*l.* One moiety thereof is paid to Benson, and the other moiety thereof given annually in coats to poor men, according to the Will of the donor.

27th May 1605.—*John Planner*, by Will of this date, charged his tenement and four acres of land at Hurst, and his meadow called Mill Mead at Wokingham, with the payment of 3*l.* annually to the alderman and brethren of Wokingham for ever, upon trust, yearly to place one poor boy apprentice. Charles F. Palmer, esquire, is in possession of Mill Mead, upon which the sum of 3*l.* is now charged. A boy is bound apprentice when sufficient money is in hand to induce a proper master to take him.

15th May 1661.—*George Staverton*, by Will of this date, gave the whole rent of his Staines house, after two lives, to buy a bull for ever, which bull he gave to the poor of Wokingham, being baited, and the gift money, hide and offal to be sold and bestowed upon poor children in stockings and shoes. The alderman and one Staverton, if he live in Wokingham, to see the work done honestly.

The house is now let at 20*l.* rent. Two bulls are bought and given to the poor annually, on St. Thomas's day. The offal, &c. given in stockings and shoes. The baiting of the animal has been discontinued of late years.

30th January 1643-4.—*William Laud*, Archbishop of Canterbury, by his Will of this date, gave (*inter alia*) the remainder of his estate, and did charge his executor that he lay it out in land, and settle same to the same uses as he had settled his land at Bray upon the town of Reading. A rent-charge of 50*l.* yearly was purchased from the estate of Lord Craven, at East Hagbourn, Berks, from which 10*l.* yearly is deducted for land-tax, leaving only 40*l.* net.

The trust-deed directs that five boys should have the money two years for binding them apprentice; the third year to three maidens who have lived three years in one service. The rent is now appropriated according to the direction of the donor.

14th March 1829.—*Mrs. Sarah Yarnold*, by Will of this date, gave to the alderman and burgesses of Wokingham, 1,620*l.* Three per Cent. Bank Annuities, upon trust, to apply the dividends thereof as follows: viz.

£. 10 in repairing her husband's tomb in Ruscomb church-yard; remainder to four poor widows of Ruscomb not receiving parochial relief.

£. 12 to four female servants who have served three years in Hurst or Wokingham.

£. 3 to six poor married women residing in Hurst and being in childbed.

£. 20 to four blind persons in Ruscomb and Hurst, not receiving parochial relief, 5*l.* each.

The residue of dividends, expenses of the trust, and the surplus (if any), for benefit of the persons before mentioned.

The 1,620*l.* has lately been transferred by Mrs. Yarnold's executors, but no dividends have yet been received by the Corporation.

#### CORPORATE OFFICERS—Wokingham.

Right hon. Lord Braybrooke	- -	High Steward.
John Roberts, Esquire	- -	Recorder.
William Hulas	- - - -	Draper - - - Alderman.
Richard Crabtree	- - - -	Gentleman - - - Burgess.
Edward Horne	- - - -	Woolstapler - - ditto.
Bartholomew Browne	- - - -	Gentleman - - ditto.
Thomas Creaker	- - - -	Auctioneer - - ditto.
James Hayward, Esquire	- - - -	- - - - ditto.
John Rogers Wheeler	- - - -	Gentleman - - ditto.
John Herring	- - - -	Gentleman - -
James Webb	- - - -	Esquire - -
Paul Hotton	- - - -	Wine Merchant
James Bushell	- - - -	Gentleman - -

} Deceased.

18th February 1833.

J. B. Trickey, Town Clerk.



## CORPORATION OF WORCESTER.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

I TAKE the liberty of referring to the late Report of the Commissioners of Charities, relating to the city of Worcester, as affording the best and most complete information as to the state of the charitable funds in the power of this Corporation, and the disposition of such funds.

I am not aware whether, under the order, I am required to return an account of the Corporation estates, and if so, whether the return should comprise a general or particular statement.

I am, however, requested to state on behalf of this Corporation, that they will willingly afford every facility in their power in aid of the Parliamentary inquiry into the application of their property.

18th February 1833.

Charles Sidebottom, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—Worcester.

1812:—	Thomas St. John	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Postmaster.
	Benjamin Johnson	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Barrister-at-Law.
	Thomas Farley	- - -	Aldermen	- - -	Banker.
	Richard Nash	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	John Ballard	- - -		- - -	Grocer.
	Edward Squire	- - -		- - -	Linendraper.
	Thomas Carden	- - -		- - -	Banker.
1813:—	Robert Brown	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Glove Manufacturer.
	Thomas St. John	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Postmaster.
	Thomas Farley	- - -	Aldermen	- - -	Banker.
	Richard Nash	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	John Ballard	- - -		- - -	Grocer.
	Thomas Carden	- - -		- - -	Banker.
	William Morton	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
1814:—	Samuel Garmston	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Glove Manufacturer.
	Robert Brown	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Glove Manufacturer.
	The same Aldermen.				
1815:—	Sir Anthony Lechmere, bart.	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Banker.
	Samuel Garmston	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Glove Manufacturer.
	The same Aldermen.				
1816:—	Robert Chamberlain	- - -	Mayor	- - -	China Manufacturer.
	Sir Anthony Lechmere, bart.	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Banker.
	Thomas Farley	- - -	Aldermen	- - -	Banker.
	Richard Nash	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	Thomas Carden	- - -		- - -	Banker.
	William Morton	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	John Blew	- - -		- - -	Druggist.
1817:—	William Moore	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Druggist.
	Robert Chamberlain	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	China Manufacturer.
	Thomas Farley	- - -	Aldermen	- - -	Banker.
	Richard Nash	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	Thomas Carden	- - -		- - -	Banker.
	William Morton	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	John Blew	- - -		- - -	Druggist.
1818:—	Humphrey Chamberlain	- - -	Mayor	- - -	China Manufacturer.
	William Moore	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Druggist.
	The same Aldermen.				
1819:—	Elias Isaac	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Banker.
	Humphrey Chamberlain	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	China Manufacturer.
	The same Aldermen.				
1820:—	Francis Hooper	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Merchant.
	Elias Isaac	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Banker.
	The same Aldermen.				
1821:—	John Severn Ballard	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Tea-dealer.
	Francis Hooper	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Merchant.
	Richard Nash	- - -	Aldermen	- - -	Maltster.
	Thomas Carden	- - -		- - -	Banker.
	William Morton	- - -		- - -	Maltster.
	John Blew	- - -		- - -	Druggist.
	James Wakeman	- - -		- - -	Banker.
1822:—	William Shaw	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Merchant.
	John Severn Ballard	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Tea-dealer.
	The same Aldermen.				
1823:—	William Dunn	- - -	Mayor	- - -	Glove Manufacturer.
	William Shaw	- - -	High Alderman	- - -	Merchant.
	The same Aldermen.				

1824

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—continued.

1824:—	Edward Blew	- - - -	Mayor	- - -	Druggist.
	William Dunn	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Glove Manufacturer.
	Richard Nash	- - - -	Aldermen	-	Maltster.
	Thomas Carden	- - - -		-	Banker.
	William Morton	- - - -		-	Maltster.
	John Blew	- - - -		-	Druggist.
	James Wakeman	- - - -		-	Banker.
1825:—	John Dent	- - - -	Mayor	- - -	Merchant.
	Edward Blew	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Druggist.
	Thomas Carden	- - - -	Aldermen	-	Banker.
	John Blew	- - - -		-	Druggist.
	James Wakeman	- - - -		-	Banker.
	Samuel Crane	- - - -		-	Merchant.
	John Severn Ballard	- - -		-	Tea-dealer.
1826:—	Richard Rowland Garmston		Mayor	- - -	Wine-merchant.
	John Dent	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Merchant.
	The same Aldermen.				
1827:—	Thomas Best	- - - -	Mayor	- - -	Glove Manufacturer.
	Richard Rowland Garmston		High Alderman	-	Wine-merchant.
	The same Aldermen.				
1828:—	James Fletcher	- - - -	Mayor	- - -	Draper.
	Thomas Best	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Glove Manufacturer.
	The same Aldermen.				
1829:—	John Morton	- - - -	Mayor	- - -	Maltster.
	James Fletcher	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Draper.
	John Blew	- - - -	Aldermen	-	Druggist.
	James Wakeman	- - - -		-	Banker.
	Samuel Crane	- - - -		-	Merchant.
	John Severn Ballard	- - -		-	Tea-dealer.
	Francis Hooper	- - - -		-	Wine-merchant.
1830:—	Harvey Berrow Tymbs	- -	Mayor	- - -	Printer.
	John Morton	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Maltster.
	John Blew	- - - -	Aldermen	-	Druggist.
	Samuel Crane	- - - -		-	Merchant.
	John Severn Ballard	- - -		-	Tea-dealer.
	Francis Hooper	- - - -		-	Wine-merchant.
	William Shaw	- - - -		-	Merchant.
1831:—	Henry Clifton	- - - -	Mayor	- - -	Proctor.
	Harvey Berrow Tymbs	- -	High Alderman	-	Printer.
	The same Aldermen.				
1832:—	John Pearkes Lavender	- -	Mayor	- - -	Banker.
	Henry Clifton	- - - -	High Alderman	-	Proctor.
	Samuel Crane	- - - -	Aldermen	-	Merchant.
	John Severn Ballard	- - -		-	Tea-dealer.
	Francis Hooper	- - - -		-	Wine-merchant.
	William Shaw	- - - -		-	Merchant.
	John Dent	- - - -		-	Merchant.

18th February 1833.

Charles Sidebottom, Town Clerk.

CORPORATION OF GREAT YARMOUTH,  
(NORFOLK.)

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

*Thrigby Charity.*—An estate at Thrigby, in the county of Norfolk, consisting of a farm and lands, let at the annual rent of 375 *l.*, devised by the Will of the Rev. Edward Warnes, clerk, deceased, to the Corporation and their successors. The rents to the use of the poor of Great Yarmouth, to be distributed to the poor, especially to sick persons, orphans and widows, and before others to the widows of the clergy. Now distributed to poor persons, chiefly widows.

*Children's Hospital Charity.*—An estate in the barony of Iffa and Offa, in the county of Tipperary, (one of the forfeited estates in the Irish rebellion, and allotted to the Corporation for monies advanced by the members of that body to the Government in 1642), now let on a lease of 999 years, at the annual rent of 100 *l.*, and a septennial rent of 100 *l.*

Several messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments in Great Yarmouth, set apart by the Corporation to the use of this charity, and several securities for monies belonging to this charity.

The funds of this charity are applied in supporting a hospital for the maintenance, clothing and education of children of both sexes.

*Fishermen's Hospital.*—A hospital built in 1702 by the Corporation, at their own expense. Several legacies have been left to this hospital, now at interest. Its chief support is 160 *l.* per annum, paid by the Treasury under a grant from the Crown. It is an asylum for aged fishermen.

*Mr. Colby's Coals.*—Dover Colby, by his Will, dated 18th December 1752, gave to the Corporation 250 *l.*, upon condition that they yearly, for ever, expended 10 *l.* in the purchase of coals (including carting), and should deliver the same to poor necessitous housekeepers, being parishioners of Great Yarmouth, residing within the limits of the first and second south wards, who should not receive any part of Mrs. Hall's coals; which is yearly done.

*Mrs. Hall's Coals.*—Mrs. Ann Hall, in 1686, gave 200 *l.* to the Corporation to raise yearly 10 *l.*, to be laid out in the purchase of coals for the poor, to be distributed by the aldermen of wards; which is yearly done.

*Sir W. Paston's Gift.*—Sir W. Paston, knight, by Indenture dated the 1st January, in the 6th James 1st, granted to trustees certain tithes, &c. out of the rectory of Caister, next Great Yarmouth; to the intent that they should pay thereout annually 8 *l.* to the bailiffs of Great Yarmouth, to be distributed by them amongst the poor people of that town; which is yearly done.

*Mrs. Rogers' Gift.*—Catherine Rogers, by her Will, 12th September 1556, gave 100 *l.* to Corporation, to be lent to persons in distress yearly; which is done.

*Mr. Davy's Gift.*—Mr. Henry Davy gave by Will, in 1647, 30 *l.* for the same purpose; which is done.

*Mr. Southwell's Gift.*—Mr. John Southwell gave, in 1638, 30 *l.* for the same purpose; which is done.

*Mrs. Blennerhassett.*—Mrs. Elizabeth Blennerhassett gave in her lifetime 100 *l.* to the Corporation for the payment of 5 *l.* yearly to the poor; which is done.

*Mrs. Rogers' Gift.*—Thirteen shillings and four-pence is paid yearly by Corporation at putting out her money, a proportion to the poor; which is done.

*Mrs. Packer's Gift.*—One pound ten shillings per annum is paid to mayor and justices to distribute amongst poor; and distributed.

*N.B.*—The Honourable the Commissioners for Public Charities, in the latter part of 1832, examined into all the charities in this town, and from their thorough investigation of them, a more detailed and correct statement of the charities under the management of the Corporation could be furnished on reference to their Report.

#### CORPORATION PROPERTY.

THE borough of Great Yarmouth is a borough by prescription, and is held in fee-farm, under a grant made by King John, in the 9th year of his reign, at the annual rent of 55 *l.* There has been several charters of incorporation, the last in the second year of the reign of Queen Anne, by which the borough is incorporated by the name of "The Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses and Commonalty of the Borough of Great Yarmouth, in the county of Norfolk."

#### SOURCES OF REVENUE.

*Town Dues.*—The Corporation have a right by prescription to the port dues of Yarmouth (without the obligation of setting out any consideration for the same.)

The town dues collected are:—Merchants' tonnage; ingrain; custom; murage; keyage; pilotage and outgoing; cranage; tronage; measurage.

The Corporation have a grant of anchorage in Kirkley-road, at an annual rent of 5 *l.* 5 *s.*, and collect anchorage there to a small amount (the Corporation do not receive above the rent they pay).

The Corporation have a confirmation by the charter of Queen Anne, of all the rights of the burgh by their several denominations, viz. "All and singular so many, so great, such the same, such like, and the very like, Courts of Record, and other courts, jurisdiction, lands, tenements, messuages, escheats, goods and chattels, deodands, treasure trove, wrecks of the sea, flotsom, jetson, lagan, liberties, privileges, franchises, quittances, powers, authorities, immunities, customs, constitutions, court leets, views of frankpledges, fines, issues, amerciements, recognizances, custom, murage, tronage, measurage, groundage, sackage, anchorage, pierage, keyage, pilotage, driage, ballastage, profits, commodities, emoluments, forfeitures, fairs, markets, exemptions, rights and liberties, by land, sea, ports and fresh rivers, approversments, goods, chattels, things, hereditaments, reversions, remainders, interests and demands whatsoever, as and which the bailiffs, aldermen, burgesses and commonalty of the burgh aforesaid lately lawfully had, held, used and enjoyed, or which any of them, or their predecessors, by whatsoever name or names, or by whatsoever incorporation, or by pretext of what incorporation soever, before

before this time, have had, used or enjoyed, or ought to have, hold, use or enjoy, by reason or pretext of any charters or letters patent, by any of our progenitors or ancestors, late Kings or Queens of England, by what lawful means soever before this time granted, made or confirmed, or by what other lawful means, right, title, use, custom or prescription soever, heretofore used, had or accustomed, and which in or by these presents are not altered or changed, to have, hold and enjoy to the aforesaid mayor, aldermen, burgesses and commonalty of the burgh aforesaid, and their successors for ever."

*Admiralty Estates.*—They have an exclusive admiralty jurisdiction.

The Corporation are possessed of divers messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments in the borough (some acquired by purchase), consisting of their public halls and other public buildings, the gaol and bridewell, &c. and of buildings and ground on the Denes, formerly part of the Corporation's waste (without the town walls) which within the last 40 years has been extensively leased to inhabitants of the town, to accommodate the increased population. The leases have been made at a fair ground rent, and the lessees have built thereon and inclosed the ground at their own expense, on the faith of having the leases renewed at a moderate advance on the original rents, without taking into consideration the increased value, by the addition of the lessees' expenditure. The rental of the Corporation's estates is under 800*l.* per annum.

*Statement of Income.*—The whole income of the Corporation from the before-mentioned sources (on an average of years to 29th of September 1826) amounted to 3,878*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*, but it has since suffered a considerable diminution.

#### APPLICATION OF THE CORPORATION FUNDS.

*Mayor's Allowance.*—A sum (formerly 200*l.* now 150*l.* per annum) is paid to the mayor towards the expenses of his executing office.

*Salaries.*—To five serjeants at mace.

To a chaplain to the Corporation.

To a lecturer on the church catechism.

To the parish clerk.

A surveyor to the Corporation estates.

*Annuities.*—To superannuated servants.

*Repairs.*—Repairs of public buildings (particularly gaol and bridewell): these have been rebuilt in the last 20 years, and at the expense of the Corporation.

Of Caister Causeway, pursuant to Act of Parliament, being about three miles of road.

Of other roads and drains.

Of pavements; viz. 105*l.* annually paid to Paving Commissioners.

*Police.*—Expense of prisoners, maintenance, clothing and surgical assistance in gaol and bridewell, and the whole expense of these prisons (except gaoler's and matron's salary).

Expense of holding sessions and police (including criminal prosecutions).

Recorder's salary.

Town clerk's bills.

*Subscriptions.*—To public charities.

*Fee-farm Rents.*—Payment of fee-farm rent 55*l.* annually.

" rent of Kirkley-road, 5*l.* 5*s.* annually.

" compositions for herrings to Dean and Canons of Windsor, 8*l.* annually.

*Taxes, &c.*—Land-tax and rates on buildings.

*Incidental Expenses.*—Public improvements, &c. &c.

(There is no county rate levied in the town, the Corporation having (at their own option) borne the greater part of expenses, for which it might have been levied.)

		£.
State of Funds.—In 1829 the Corporation were indebted on bond 12,000 <i>l.</i> , and there has since been paid off 4,250 <i>l.</i> , leaving a bond debt of - - - The Corporation have the power to redeem the 105 <i>l.</i> payable annually to Paving Commissioners on payment of (considered as a debt) - - - - -	}	7,750
		2,100
		£. 9,850
They have also monies in their hands as treasurer of Yarmouth Bridge - - -	-	1,500
A subscription is due from the Corporation to the Honourable the Commissioners for building Churches, in aid of the fund for building St. Peter's church in the town (in addition to a site granted by the Corporation, to purchase the tenant right of which cost the Corporation 700 <i>l.</i> ) - - - - -	-	1,000
		£. 12,350

There is also a private fund, raised by contribution of the members individually, which is applied in payment of stipends to widows (of deceased members) left in indigent circumstances.

16th February 1833.

Sam<sup>l</sup> Tolter, Town Clerk.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Great Yarmouth.*

Persons who were Magistrates 29th September 1812.

High Steward : Vacant.

Recorder :	- Henry Jodrell, Esquire	-	-	Barrister at Law	-	-	-	Dead.
Sub-Steward :	William Adair, Esquire	-	-	Barrister at Law	-	-	-	Dead.
Justices :	- Sir Edmund Lacon, Knight	-	-	Merchant and Banker	-	-	-	Dead.
	John Fisher, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	Resigned.
	William Fisher, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	Resigned.
	Jacob Preston, Esquire	-	-	Shipbuilder and Merchant	-	-	-	Dead.
	James Fisher, Esquire	-	-	-	-	-	-	Dead.
	Benjamin Fielding, Esquire	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	-	Dead.
	Henry Gooch, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	(Did not act.)	Dead.
	George Thompson, Esquire	-	-	Comptroller of Customs	-	-	-	Dead.
	Dover Colby, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	Dead.

The Magistracy, February 1833.

High Steward : Vacant (by death of the late Viscount Exmouth.)

Recorder : - Henry Alworth Merewether - Serjeant at Law.

Sub-Steward : - Isaac Preston, Esquire - Barrister at Law.

Justices :	1. Robert Cory, Esquire	-	-	{ Solicitor, retired from profession - - - }	-	-	-	Magistrates in 1812.
	2. Francis Riddell Reynolds, Esquire	-	-	Solicitor - - -	-	-	-	
	3. Sir Edmund K. Lacon, Baronet	-	-	Banker and Brewer	-	-	-	
	4. William Palgrave, jun. Esquire	-	-	{ now Collector of Cus- toms of Dublin - }	-	-	-	Elected Mayor in 1814.
	5. Robert Cory, jun. Esquire	-	-	Solicitor	-	-	-	1815.
	6. Isaac Preston, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	1816.
	7. Samuel Paget, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	1817.
	8. Edmund Preston, Esquire	-	-	Solicitor	-	-	-	1818.
	9. Thomas Bateman, Esquire	-	-	M. D.	-	-	-	1819.
	10. John Goate Fisher, Esquire	-	-	Solicitor	-	-	-	1820.
	11. John Danby Palmer, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	1821.
	(Mr. Isaac Preston, a second time Mayor 1822.)							
	(Mr. Reynolds, a second time Mayor 1823.)							
	12. William Barth, Esquire	-	-	Merchant	-	-	-	1824.
	13. Charles Costerton, Esquire	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	-	1825.
	(Mr. Barth, a second time Mayor 1826.)							
	14. John Mortlock Lacon, Esquire	-	-	Brewer	-	-	-	1827.
	15. John Preston, Esquire	-	-	Comptroller of Customs	-	-	-	1828.
	16. George Bateman, Esquire	-	-	Surgeon	-	-	-	1829.
	(Mr. E. Preston, a second time Mayor 1830.)							
	(Mr. John Preston, a second time Mayor 1831.)							
	17. John Baker, Esquire	-	-	Solicitor	-	-	-	1832.
	18. One vacancy (an Alderman not having yet been Mayor).	-	-	-	-	-	-	

16th February 1833.

Sam<sup>l</sup> Tolver, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF YARMOUTH,

(ISLE OF WIGHT.)

CHARITABLE FUNDS OF PROPERTY - - - None.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*Yarmouth.*

Names of Magistrates.	Profession or Trade.	Corporate Office.	Remarks.
John Delgarns - - -	Esquire - - -	Mayor - - -	There is no magistrate, except the mayor, who is annually elected from the chief burgesses, and the mayor has no other power than those given by ancient statutes to mayors, as conservators of the peace.
Edward Rushworth - - -	Esquire - - -		
Thomas Sewell - - -	Solicitor - - -		
Peter Geary - - -	Clerk - - -		
John Wavell - - -	Surgeon - - -		
Andrew Hamilton - - -	Clerk - - -		
George Hayter - - -	Clerk - - -		
Henry Worsley - - -	Clerk - - -		
Thomas Bowreman - - -	Clerk - - -		
John Brecks - - -	Clerk - - -		
Sir Richard Bassett - - -	Knight - - -		

Henry Sewell, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATION OF YORK.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS.

THE Return now sent comprehends only such funds and other property of the Corporation as are applicable for charitable purposes; but I am directed to state, that the Corporation of York are ready to make a similar Return as to all other property in their possession, order or disposition, if it be required of them to do so.

March 11, 1833.

Robt Davies, Town Clerk.

Description of Funds and other Property.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given, and Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
£.588. 6. 7. stock in the Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, standing in the names of William Hotham, esq., Isaac Spencer, esq. and William Hutchinson Hearon, esq. aldermen of the said city.	-- Purchased with the sum of 500 <i>l.</i> bequeathed to the mayor and aldermen of the said city, and their successors, by the Will of John Hartley, late of the same city, glover, deceased, bearing date the 22d day of December 1785.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to place the same out on security, and apply the yearly interest thereof for the benefit and relief of the poor reduced commoners of the said city, at the Guildhall, on Christmas day, yearly, in such shares as the said mayor and aldermen should think expedient; but in case at any time there should be no poor reduced commoners, then amongst the poor distressed housekeepers of the said city. The yearly dividends of the said stock are distributed and applied in conformity with the trusts and directions of the said Will.
£. 218. 15. 3. stock in the Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in the names of the said three aldermen.	-- Purchased with the two sums of 100 <i>l.</i> and 50 <i>l.</i> bequeathed to the said mayor and aldermen by the said Will of the said John Hartley.	-- The said sum of 100 <i>l.</i> was bequeathed in trust, to place the same out on security, and apply the yearly interest thereof for the benefit of the poor women in St. Thomas's Hospital, without Micklegate, in the said city, on Christmas day, yearly; and the said sum of 50 <i>l.</i> was bequeathed in trust, to place the same out on security, and apply the yearly interest thereof for the benefit of the poor women in St. Catherine's Hospital, without Micklegate Bar aforesaid. The yearly dividends of the said stock are paid and applied accordingly.
£. 218. 10. 5. stock in the Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.	-- Purchased with the sum of 200 <i>l.</i> bequeathed by the Will of John Girdler, late of Clifton, near York, gentleman, deceased, bearing date the 17th day of November 1786.	-- Bequeathed to the trustees or governors (being the lord mayor and three senior aldermen of the said city) of the hospital in Castlegate, in the said city, called Sir Henry Thomson's Hospital, upon trust, that the interest thereof might be applied yearly towards the relief of the poor resident therein. The yearly dividends of the said stock are now so paid and applied accordingly.
£. 370 stock in the Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.	-- Purchased with the sum of 300 <i>l.</i> , bequeathed by the Will of Henry Myers, late of the said city, esquire, and an alderman of the same city, deceased, bearing date the 3d day of November 1792.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to be invested in the name of the said mayor and commonalty, and the interest thereof to be laid out in coals, and distributed about the middle of December in every year, unto and amongst such poor people of and within the several parishes of St. Michael Spurriergate, and St. Mary Castlegate, as the lord mayor and three aldermen should think fit objects; each person to have four mets at the least. The yearly dividends of the said stock are now laid out and applied accordingly.
£. 603. 6. 4. stock in the Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.	-- Purchased with the sum of 500 <i>l.</i> bequeathed by the said Will of the said Henry Myers.	-- Bequeathed for the benefit of the poor women in St. Catherine's Hospital, and the yearly dividends of the said stock are paid at Christmas, yearly, to such poor women, in augmentation of their stipends.
£. 260 stock in the Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, standing in the names of the said mayor and commonalty.	-- Purchased by George Townend, late of the said city, town clerk, and afterwards alderman of the same city, deceased, in the name of the said mayor and commonalty, 160 <i>l.</i> Part of the said stock was purchased in the year 1806, and 100 <i>l.</i> residue thereof, in the year 1809.	-- Given by the said George Townend, in his lifetime, in trust, to pay the dividends of the said stock to Sarah Wright, widow, formerly his servant, for her life, or until she should apply for and be admitted to some hospital of the said Corporation; and in trust, afterwards, to pay the said dividends at such times in each year as the said mayor and commonalty should think fit, to or for the equal benefit of the poor persons in Middleton's Hospital in Skeldergate, and St. Thomas's Hospital without Micklegate Bar, for the time being, according to the number of such persons. The said Sarah Wright is still living, but has not applied for or been appointed to any hospital of the said Corporation, and the said dividends are paid to her accordingly.
£. 377. 9. 10. stock in the New Three and a half per Cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, standing in the names of Isaac Spencer, esq. and Thomas Smith, esq. aldermen of the said city.	-- Purchased with the sum of 300 <i>l.</i> bequeathed by the Will of James Woodhouse, late of the said city, esquire and alderman, deceased, bearing date the 24th day of June 1784.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to be invested, and the dividends thereof to be distributed in coals annually, in December, before Christmas, amongst the parishioners of the parish of St. Sampson, in the said city, whether resident or not, or being inhabitants there, as the lord mayor and aldermen of the said city, at a meeting at the Guildhall, should direct. The yearly dividends of the said stock are laid out in coals, which are distributed annually in the manner directed by the said testator.

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## CHARITABLE FUNDS—continued.

Description of Funds and other Property.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given, and Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
£.2,137. 8. 2. stock in the Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.	<p>-- Purchased with the sum of 1,400<i>l.</i>, bequeathed by the Will of James Luntley, late of the said city, glover, deceased, bearing date the 11th day of January 1791.</p> <p>made on further directions, in a cause depending in the said Court, between Fairburn and others, plaintiffs, and Bluit and others, defendants, the said legacy was ordered to be vested in the said stock, in the name of the said mayor and commonalty, and their successors, upon trust, to pay and distribute the clear residue of the dividends thereof, after deducting all incidental charges, for the charitable purposes and at the times and in the proportions in the said Will expressed or intended. The yearly dividends of the said stock are now paid and distributed accordingly.</p>	<p>-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty in trust, that they should yearly, in the week before Christmas, for ever, pay to 12 poor people, in or belonging to St. Thomas's Hospital, without Micklegate Bar, 40<i>l.</i>, and unto or amongst the poor women in or belonging to St. Catherine's Hospital, near the Mount, 16<i>l.</i> And by an order of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, bearing date the 15th day of January 1795,</p>
£.500 stock in the Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.	<p>-- Purchased with two legacies of 200<i>l.</i> and 100<i>l.</i>, bequeathed by the Will of Mr. Thomas Norfolk, deceased, and transferred into the name of the said mayor and commonalty in the year 1780.</p>	<p>-- The said legacy of 200<i>l.</i> was bequeathed by the said testator for the benefit of the poor widows or poor women, from time to time chosen into Mrs. Middleton's Hospital; and the said legacy of 100<i>l.</i> was bequeathed for the benefit of the poor men from time to time chosen into Sir Henry Thomson's Hospital. The yearly dividends of the said sum of 500<i>l.</i> stock are now paid and applied accordingly, that is to say, two-third parts thereof equally amongst the poor women in Middleton's Hospital, and the remaining third part amongst the poor men in Sir Henry Thomson's Hospital.</p>
<p>£.345. 6. 1. stock in the Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.</p> <p>ing date the 18th day of January 1780, to trustees therein named. In the year 1818, the then surviving trustee appointed the said mayor and commonalty to be trustees of this gift, and the stock was then transferred into their name.</p>	<p>-- Purchased with the sum of 200<i>l.</i> and interest, assigned by Mrs. Tabitha Bower, late of Sleights, in the county of York, widow, deceased, by Deed, bearing</p>	<p>-- Given in trust, for the interest to be distributed, partly in money and partly in coals, amongst the prisoners in York Castle and the city gaol. The sum of 7<i>l.</i> 15<i>s.</i> 4<i>d.</i>, part of the yearly dividends of the said stock, is now paid to the governor or keeper of the gaol, called the Castle of York, in the county of York; and the sum of 2<i>l.</i> 11<i>s.</i> 9<i>d.</i>, the residue of the same dividends, is now paid to the governor or keeper of the gaol for the said city of York, to be by the said governors distributed amongst the prisoners in the same gaols respectively, according to the directions of the donor.</p>
<p>£.48. 9. 3. stock in the Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, standing in the name of the said mayor and commonalty.</p>	<p>-- Purchased with the sum of 40<i>l.</i> bequeathed by the Will of Mrs. Bridget Lawrence, <i>alias</i> Soberon.</p> <p>yearly, and the rest to the use of the poor of the same parish. Prior to the year 1826, the said sum of 40<i>l.</i> was lent by the said mayor and commonalty to and for the use of the said parish, and the payment thereof was secured by the bond of certain of the parishioners; but in that year the parish paid the money to the Corporation, by whom the same was invested in the purchase of the said stock; the yearly dividends whereof are now paid to the churchwardens of the said parish, to be applied according to the trusts of the said Will.</p>	<p>-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty, in trust, to lend the same out, and apply the interest thereof for the purposes directed by the said Will, that is to say, 10<i>s.</i> part thereof, to be paid to the minister of the parish of St. Helen Stonegate, in the said city, for reading the service on St. Mark's day,</p>
<p>The sum of 625<i>l.</i> - -</p> <p>monalty of York by the Corporation of Bristol, at various times since the year 1576, under Sir Thomas White's donation to 24 corporations. The aggregate of these payments amounted to 900<i>l.</i>, but 225<i>l.</i> was appropriated between the years 1816 and 1823 inclusive, in payment of the city of York's proportion of costs incurred in a suit against the city of Bristol, by the other cities and corporations entitled to this charity.</p>	<p>-- The residue of monies paid to the mayor and commonalty of York by the Corporation of Bristol,</p>	<p>-- The sum of 475<i>l.</i> part of this fund, is now lent out in sums of 25<i>l.</i> each, for ten years, without interest, to 19 tradesmen, who are freemen of the said city; and the repayment thereof is secured by the bonds of the parties, with four respectable sureties in each bond. The residue is in the hands of the mayor and commonalty of the said city, ready to be lent out in like manner, from time to time, upon applications for the loan thereof being made to the lord mayor, aldermen, sheriffs, and those who have been sheriffs of the said city, in council assembled.</p>
<p>The sum of 100<i>l.</i> - -</p>	<p>-- Given by the late Dr. Joseph Loveland, formerly Prebendary of Norwich.</p> <p>of this sum is now in the hands of the said mayor and commonalty unappropriated, but ready to be lent out upon applications being made for that purpose.</p>	<p>-- Given to be lent by the lord mayor and aldermen of the said city to four poor tradesmen of the said city, who are well affected to the religion established, and sober and industrious, in sums of 25<i>l.</i> each, for five, six or seven years. The whole</p>
<p>The sum of 105<i>l.</i> - -</p>	<p>-- Given in the year 1789 to the said mayor and commonalty, by Peter Johnson, esquire, deceased, heretofore recorder of the said city.</p>	<p>-- These sums were given to be lent in small sums to the poor freemen of the said city, without interest. Two sums of 25<i>l.</i> each, and one sum of 26<i>l.</i> 5<i>s.</i> are now lent out on bonds to freemen of the said city, for ten years, without interest. The residue is in the hands of the Corporation, ready to be lent, upon applications being made for that purpose.</p>
<p>The sum of 100<i>l.</i> - -</p>	<p>Given in the year 1792, by the said Peter Johnson.</p>	

CHARITABLE FUNDS—*continued.*

Description of Funds and other Property.	Manner in which the same have been acquired.	Purposes for which the same were given, and Mode in which they are now distributed and applied.
<b>GIFTS, DEVISES AND BEQUESTS.</b>		
<b>Sir Martin Bowes's Gift.</b> The sum of 40 <i>l.</i>	-- Bequeathed by the Will of Sir Martin Bowes, <i>knt.</i> , and alderman of London, and received in the year 1557 by the said mayor and commonalty.	-- This bequest was made upon trust, that the said mayor and commonalty should distribute several small sums, amounting together to 3 <i>l.</i> yearly, partly in bread for the poor of the parish of St. Cuthbert, in the said city, and partly in small offerings, to be made by the lord mayor and aldermen on the annual celebration of a mass of requiem at the said church. The sum of 2 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> is now paid yearly by the said mayor and commonalty to the churchwardens of the said parish, for the use of the poor.
<b>Weddall's Gift.</b> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i>	-- Bequeathed to the lord mayor and aldermen of the said city, by the Will of William Weddall, formerly of London, and paid to them by his executors in February 1618.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to be employed for the poor people of Crux parish, and out of the profits arising thereof, to pay 9 <i>l.</i> yearly to the churchwardens, to be distributed amongst the poor of the said parish. The mayor and commonalty now pay to the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of St. Crux the sum of 5 <i>l.</i> yearly, in respect of this gift, to be distributed amongst the poor of the said parish.
<b>Peacock's Gift</b>	- - - - -	-- The said mayor and commonalty now pay the sum of 3 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> a year in respect of this gift, to be distributed amongst the prisoners in the gaol of the said city.
<b>Vaux's Gift.</b> The sum of 15 <i>l.</i> per annum, issuing out of certain messuages and hereditaments in the said city.	-- Devised to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of John Vaux, late of the said city, bearing date the 13th day of November 1641.	-- The said yearly sum of 15 <i>l.</i> was bequeathed by the said testator as follows: viz., the sum of 6 <i>l.</i> to the minister of the parish of Christ, in the said city, for preaching sermons on the 25th of March, the 24th of June, and St. John's day, yearly; and the sum of 1 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> to be distributed to the poor in bread on those three days; the sum of 3 <i>l.</i> to the minister of the parish of St. Martin-cum-Gregory, in the said city, for preaching sermons; and the sum of 1 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> to be distributed to the poor of the said parish in bread on the same three days; and the sum of 1 <i>l.</i> to the vicar of the parish of Huntington, near York, for his own use; and the sum of 1 <i>l.</i> for the use of the poor of the same parish, to be paid on Michaelmas-day, yearly; all which several sums are now regularly paid by the said mayor and commonalty. The sum of 1 <i>l.</i> yearly (residue of the said sum of 15 <i>l.</i> ) the said testator bequeathed to the lord mayor for the time being, for his help in the performance of the trust, which is now paid accordingly.
<b>Jackson's Gift.</b> The sum of 200 <i>l.</i>	-- Given to the said mayor and commonalty by the Rev. Charles Jackson, formerly minister in the parish of All Saints Pavement, in the said city.	-- In trust, to pay the interest at five per cent. to poor tradesmen annually. The sum of 10 <i>l.</i> is paid yearly by the said mayor and commonalty in respect of this gift, and divided between two poor tradesmen of the said city, chosen by the lord mayor and aldermen, in the month of October in every year.
<b>Rogerson's Gift.</b> £. 1. 10 <i>p.</i> per annum issuing out of a messuage in the said city.	-- Devised to the said mayor and commonalty, in the year 1602, by Thomas Rogerson.	-- The property was devised, subject to the payment of 1 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> yearly to the churchwardens of Christ parish, in the said city; 10 <i>s.</i> thereof to be paid to the minister of the said parish, and 20 <i>s.</i> thereof to be paid towards the repairs of the church. This sum is now regularly paid by the said mayor and commonalty accordingly.
<b>Sir Robert Watter's Gift.</b> The sum of 120 <i>l.</i> , one gold chain and three goblets, parcel gilt.	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Sir Robert Watter, knight, bearing date the 17th day of January, in the year 1609, and paid by his executors in the year 1612.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to pay 10 <i>l.</i> yearly to the parson of the parish of St. Crux, in the said city. The sum of 6 <i>l.</i> is now paid by the said mayor and commonalty to the minister of the said parish in respect of this legacy, by four quarterly payments in every year.
<b>Farley's Gift.</b> The sum of 30 <i>l.</i>	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Fabian Farley, formerly officer at mace to the said Corporation.	-- The sum of 1 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> is paid in respect of this gift by the said mayor and commonalty to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Helen Stonegate, in this city, to be distributed annually to the poor of the following parishes: viz., St. Helen Stonegate, 8 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> ; St. Michael Spurriergate, 8 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> ; St. Martin Coney-street, 4 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> ; and St. Wilfred, 4 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i>
<b>Cotterill's Gift.</b> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i>	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of James Cotterill, of the said city, gentleman, bearing date the 16th day of August, in the year 1595.	-- The said testator bequeathed the said legacy to the said mayor and commonalty, in trust, to pay 8 <i>l.</i> yearly to the parson of the parish church of St. Michael Spurriergate, in the said city. The said mayor and commonalty now pay 5 <i>l.</i> yearly, in respect of this legacy, to the minister of the said parish.

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<i>Burley's Gift.</i> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Mr. John Burley, bearing date the last day of February, in the year 1601.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to be lent upon bond to freemen of the said city, at 6 <i>l.</i> per cent. interest, which was to be distributed yearly among the poor persons for the time being in the lower prison of the castle of York. The sum of 6 <i>l.</i> is now paid by the said mayor and commonalty, in respect of this legacy, to the gaoler of York Castle, to be distributed according to the directions of the testator.
<i>Buck's Gift.</i> The sum of 20 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Mr. George Buck, bearing date the 23d day of December 1611, and paid by his executors to the said mayor and commonalty in February 1616.	-- In compliance with the directions contained in the said Will, the sum of 1 <i>l.</i> is paid by the said mayor and commonalty, yearly, to the minister of the parish of St. Mary Castlegate, in respect of this gift; viz., 10 <i>s.</i> for bread for the poor of the same parish, and 10 <i>s.</i> for preaching a sermon on St. George's day, the 23d of April in each year.
<i>North's Gift.</i> The sum of 20 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Bequeathed by the Will of Richard North, late of London, merchant tailor, deceased, bearing date the 26th day of August 1593, and paid to the said mayor and commonalty by his executors in the year 1598.	-- The testator bequeathed to the poor of each of the respective parishes of St. Margaret and Allhallows in the Pavement, in the said city, the sum of 10 <i>l.</i> to be equally distributed. In respect of this gift, the said mayor and commonalty pay 10 <i>s.</i> yearly to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Margaret, for the use of the poor of the same parish.
<i>Sterne's Gift.</i> The sum of 200 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Given to the said mayor and commonalty in or about the year 1706, by the late Mr. Richard Sterne, Commissary of the Prerogative Court of York.	-- Given in trust, that the interest thereof should be disposed of towards the maintenance of the poor boys and girls in the charity schools. The sum of 10 <i>l.</i> is paid by the said mayor and commonalty annually to the treasurer of the said charity schools in respect of this gift; two third parts thereof to be applied for the use of the Blue-coat Boys' School, and one third part thereof for the use of the Grey-coat Girls' School.
<i>Thornhill's Gift.</i> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> and the sum of 30 <i>l.</i>	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Mrs. Frances Thornhill, late of the said city, who died about the year 1723.	-- The said sum of 100 <i>l.</i> was bequeathed for the benefit of the Grey-coat Girls so long as they should continue, and after their dissolution to the poor of the said city. The sum of 5 <i>l.</i> is paid by the said mayor and commonalty yearly, in respect of this gift, to the treasurer of the said charity schools, for the use of the Grey-coat Girls' School. The said sum of 30 <i>l.</i> was bequeathed for finding straw for the poor prisoners in York Castle.
<i>Tireman's Gift.</i> The sum of 300 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty, in the year 1692, by the Will of Henry Tireman, late of the said city, alderman.	-- Bequeathed in trust, that by the yearly interest thereof, three freemen's sons of the said city should be yearly, for ever, bound forth to seamen or handicraft trades, poor men's sons within Christ parish to have the preference. The sum of 12 <i>l.</i> a year is paid by the said mayor and commonalty as interest upon this gift. It is applied in premiums of 4 <i>l.</i> each for putting out three boys apprentices to some handicraft trade. The boys are selected from the children of poor persons resident in the said city, on the application of the parents to the lord mayor, aldermen, sheriffs, and those who have been sheriffs, in council assembled. Boys belonging to Christ parish have a preference.
<i>Scott's Gift.</i> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Received by the said mayor and commonalty from Mr. Zachariah Scott, about the year 1734.	-- Given by the said Zachariah Scott for the use of the charity schools. The sum of 4 <i>l.</i> a year is paid by the said mayor and commonalty, as interest upon this gift, to the treasurer of the Blue-coat Boys' and Grey-coat Girls' Charity Schools in the said city.
<i>Mrs. Ramsden's Gift.</i> £.15 per annum. issuing out of houses in the said city.	-- The said mayor and commonalty acquired this property about the year 1716.	-- Given in trust, to pay 14 <i>l.</i> a year to the use of the charity schools in the said city, and 1 <i>l.</i> a year to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Mary Bishophill the Elder, in the said city, for the use of the poor of the said parish, which sums are paid by the said mayor and commonalty accordingly.
<i>Mrs. Prince's Gift.</i> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Received in the year 1731, by the said mayor and commonalty, from Mrs. Margaret Prince, being the gift of her mother, Mrs. Ann Prince.	-- Given for the benefit of the charity schools. The sum of 4 <i>l.</i> a year is paid by the said mayor and commonalty, as the interest upon this gift, to the treasurer of the said charity schools, for the use of the poor boys and poor girls in the same schools.

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<b>Mrs. Barker's Gift.</b> The sum of 150 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Received in the year 1731, by the said mayor and commonalty, from John Hutton, esq. executor of Mrs. Frances Barker.	-- Bequeathed by the said Frances Barker, in trust, to pay 40 <i>s.</i> yearly to the minister of the parish of St. Mary Castlegate, in the said city, for his own use, 40 <i>s.</i> yearly to the minister and churchwardens of the same parish, for the use of the poor girls there, to be taught to write and sew; and 40 <i>s.</i> yearly to the use of the Grey-coat Girls in the charity schools. The sum of 6 <i>l.</i> yearly is paid by the said mayor and commonalty in respect of this gift, in the manner directed by the said testatrix.
<b>Pickard's Gift.</b> A messuage in Micklegate, in the said city.	-- Conveyed or devised to the said mayor and commonalty, some time prior to the year 1710, by Richard Pickard, late of Brereton, in the county of Stafford.	-- The said Richard Pickard directed that the yearly rent of the said messuage should be given in good wheat bread, upon every Sunday, to the poor of the parish of St. Mary Bishophill the Younger, in the said city, and that every one of them that went constantly to the common prayers might receive a penny loaf, and not else, unless they were disabled by sickness or other infirmities. The said messuage is now let by the said mayor and commonalty for the yearly rent of 21 <i>l.</i> , which, after deducting such expenses as are from time to time incurred in the necessary repairs thereof, is paid over to the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the said parish, to be laid out and applied pursuant to the directions of the said Richard Pickard.
<b>Turner's Gift</b> - - - - -	- - - - -	-- The sum of 7 <i>l.</i> a year is paid by the said mayor and commonalty in respect of this gift; viz. 11 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> half-yearly to six poor widows, nominated by the lord mayor for the time being.
<b>Edmundson's Gift.</b> The sum of 32 <i>l.</i> - -	-- The principal and interest of a moiety of a legacy bequeathed by the Will of William Edmundson, late of Duthwaite, in the parish of Melling, in the county of Lancaster, and after of the said city of York, yeoman, deceased, bearing date the 27th day of August 1735, and which said principal and interest were received by the said mayor and commonalty in the year 1749.	-- The said legacy was directed by the said testator to be laid out in the purchase of lands or rents in or near the said city, to the intent that the rents and profits thereof should be distributed weekly in bread; one moiety for the better support of the necessitous debtors and criminals in the common gaol of the city of York. The sum of 1 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> a year for interest upon the said sum of 32 <i>l.</i> is now paid by the said mayor and commonalty, and laid out in bread for the prisoners in the gaol of the said city, pursuant to the directions of the said Will.
<b>Owram's Gift.</b> The sum of 20 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	- - - - -	-- The sum of 16 <i>s.</i> a year is paid by the said mayor and commonalty in respect of this gift, and is applied once in two years in purchasing hats for the sword-bearer and mace-bearer.
<b>Whitehead's Gift</b> - -	Given by John Whitehead, about the year 1727.	-- The said mayor and commonalty now pay 20 <i>s.</i> a year, in respect of this gift, to the feoffees of the parish of St. Crux, in the said city, for the use of the poor of the said parish.
<b>Musgrave's Gift.</b> Two sums of 100 <i>l.</i> each -	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Mrs. Mary Musgrave, deceased, and received by the said mayor and commonalty from the executors of the said Will in the year 1779, with the addition of two sums of 20 <i>l.</i> each, paid by the respective parishes of St. Martin Coney-street, and St. Helen Stonegate, in the said city, the said mayor and commonalty having refused to accept the said legacies upon the trusts contained in the said Will, without such additional sums being paid by the said respective parishes.	-- Bequeathed in trust to pay two sums of 5 <i>l.</i> per annum, for ever, to poor housekeepers of the said parishes of St. Martin Coney-street, and St. Helen Stonegate. Two annual sums of 5 <i>l.</i> each are now paid by the said mayor and commonalty to the churchwardens of the said respective parishes, to be distributed amongst the parishioners of the same parishes respectively, according to the directions of the said Will.
<b>Yates's Gift.</b> The sum of 100 <i>l.</i> - -	-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Charles Yates, late of the said city, in or about the year 1788.	-- Bequeathed in trust, to pay yearly, in the week before Christmas, for ever, 4 <i>l.</i> , or such annual sum not exceeding 4 <i>l.</i> , as should be the legal interest for the time being for 100 <i>l.</i> for a year, unto and amongst the poor women in or belonging to the hospital, in or near the Mount without Micklegate Bar, (being St. Catherine's Hospital) in equal shares and proportions. The sum of 4 <i>l.</i> yearly is paid by the said mayor and commonalty, in respect of this gift, equally amongst the poor women in St. Catherine's Hospital.

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<p><b>Lady Hewley's Gift.</b> The sum of 500<i>l</i>.</p>	<p>-- Bequeathed to the said mayor and commonalty by the Will of Dame Sarah Hewley, late of the said city, in or about the year 1710.</p>	<p>-- Bequeathed in trust, that the interest thereof should be laid out in coals and turves, and distributed yearly at a proper season amongst the poor people of the said city. The sum of 25<i>l</i>. yearly is paid by the said mayor and commonalty in respect of this gift, and is laid out in coals, which are distributed about Christmas to such poor people in the said city as the lord mayor and aldermen appoint.</p>
<p><b>Mrs. Nicholson's Gift to St. Catherine's Hospital.</b> A close or parcel of land, situate without Micklegate Bar, in the said city, called Baggergate Close.</p>	<p>-- In the year 1709, Mrs. Frances Nicholson, widow, conveyed by Deed this land to trustees therein named, and their heirs, with a proviso that if the said trustees and their heirs should not distribute the rents and profits of the said land in the manner therein mentioned, the trust should devolve upon the mayor and commonalty of the said city. In the year 1829, upon the death of William Garforth, esq., the then trustee, his successor declined to act in the trust, and gave up the possession of the land to the said mayor and commonalty, to be held upon the trusts expressed in the said Deed.</p>	<p>-- The land was conveyed, upon trust, to distribute the rents and profits thereof, quarterly, unto and amongst four poor widows in St. Catherine's Hospital that should successively be in the said hospital, so long as the same should be kept in good repair by the Corporation of the said city, according to the intent of the founder of the said hospital; and so that after the decease of the poor widows then living in the said hospital, the number of them should be reduced to four, and no more.</p> <p>The said mayor and commonalty, in compliance with the said trust, reduced the number of persons in the said hospital to four, and no greater number than four has since been resident in the said hospital at one time. The said land is let by the said mayor and commonalty, for the rent of 13<i>l</i>. per annum, to a respectable tenant from year to year, and the rent is paid equally amongst the four poor women in the said hospital, from time to time, as it is received by the said mayor and commonalty.</p>
<p><b>Sir Henry Thomson's Hospital.</b> Two houses in Castlegate, in the said city, converted into and now used as a hospital for the reception of six poor men. A close of land, containing 13 A. 2 R., situate in the township of Gate Fulford, near the city of York, now in the occupation of Mr. Samuel Judd.</p>	<p>-- Sir Henry Thomson, late of the said city, knight and alderman of the said city, by his Will, dated the 4th day of August 1692, devised two houses in Castlegate, and certain freehold land at Dewsbury, in the county of York, unto the lord mayor and three senior aldermen of the said city for the time being, and their successors, for ever. And his widow, Dame Ann Thomson, afterwards surrendered to the same parties certain copyhold land at Dewsbury aforesaid. The said freehold and copyhold land at Dewsbury was, in the year 1786, sold by the then trustees thereof for the sum of 1,400<i>l</i>. And in the year following, 1,200<i>l</i>, part thereof, was laid out in the purchase of a close, at Gate Fulford, within a mile of the said city, containing 13 A. 2 R. or thereabouts. The remaining 200<i>l</i>. was paid in expenses attending the sale and purchase, and in repairing the hospital.</p>	<p>-- The testator devised the premises, upon trust, that the said two houses in Castlegate should be fitted and made up as a hospital for six poor men, who should be paid yearly, out of the rents of the said other premises, 3<i>l</i>., at two payments in the year, or so much proportionably as the said rents should amount clear unto, deducting the necessary charges for keeping the said hospital in repair. And the said testator appointed the said lord mayor and three senior aldermen for the time being to be supervisors and electors of the said poor men, willing that choice should be made of such inhabitants in the said parish of St. Mary Castlegate, as were fit objects of charity; but if enough such were not therein found, then at their discretion to choose elsewhere, still giving preference to the said poor parishioners.</p> <p>By an order of the Court of Chancery, bearing date the 8th day of June 1822, made in the matter of this charity, upon the petition of the then churchwardens and overseers of the said parish of St. Mary Castlegate, the following scheme for the future due regulation and management of the said charity was approved and confirmed; viz that the lord mayor and three senior aldermen should, within one month after every vacancy should occur in the said hospital, select a proper person, who had been <i>bonâ fide</i> resident within the said parish of St. Mary Castlegate for the space of six months immediately preceding a vacancy, and who should be <i>bonâ fide</i> resident therein, and who should be a bachelor, or widower without children, or whose children were emancipated to supply such vacancy: provided, that in case no such fit and proper person could be found resident within the said parish, then that the said lord mayor and aldermen should select some fit and proper person, who was a bachelor or widower, whose children were emancipated as aforesaid from any other parish. Since the date of the said order, the said charity has been managed by the lord mayor and three senior aldermen for the time being of the said city, in conformity with the terms and directions of the said order. The said close or parcel of land at Gate Fulford is now let to Mr. Samuel Judd, from year to year, at the annual rent of 81<i>l</i>., which is the fair value thereof. By the annual payments to this charity, from the bequests of Mr. Girdler and Mr. Norfolk, added to the rent of the said land, the said lord mayor and aldermen are enabled to pay a stipend of 15<i>l</i>. per annum to each of the six poor men in the said hospital, and to retain a surplus to defray the expense of keeping the building in repair.</p>

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<b>Mrs. Ann Middleton's Hospital.</b>		
A legacy of 2,000 <i>l.</i> - -	- - Ann Middleton, of the city of York, widow, by her Will, bearing date the 24th day of August 1655, gave and bequeathed unto the lord mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the said city, and their successors, 2,000 <i>l.</i> to the intent and purpose that they should therewith erect and build a hospital, convenient for 20 poor widows to dwell in, that had been freemen's wives, and to have 4 <i>l.</i> a piece, yearly, to them paid quarterly during their lives, the said widows to be placed from time to time by the said mayor and commonalty. And the testatrix directed that the said lord mayor, aldermen and commonalty should erect and build the said hospital within the city of York, and should purchase lands of inheritance for the securing of the yearly payment of the said 4 <i>l.</i> a piece to the widows. And she willed that the sums of money by her bequeathed should be paid and satisfied out of the debts only owing to her at the time of her death. It appears that part of the said charitable bequest lay in bad debts and was lost, and not more than about 1,750 <i>l.</i> was actually received by the Corporation on account of this legacy. ■	- - In the year 1659, the said mayor and commonalty expended the sum of 600 <i>l.</i> and upwards, part of the money received by them on account of this bequest, in purchasing a piece of ground in Skeldergate, in the said city, and building thereon a hospital, pursuant to the directions of the testatrix. The interest of the remaining 1,150 <i>l.</i> was appropriated to the payment of the stipends to the 20 widows admitted into the hospital. Until about the year 1711, this sum was lent out by the mayor and commonalty on bonds, bearing 6 <i>l.</i> per cent. per annum interest. About that time those bonds were paid off, but it does not appear that the Corporation made any specific investment of the money. From the year 1711 to the present time, the sum of 69 <i>l.</i> per annum, being interest at the rate of 6 <i>l.</i> per cent. on 1,150 <i>l.</i> has been regularly paid by the Corporation out of their annual income, and that sum is equally divided amongst the 20 poor widows in the hospital. In the year 1828, the edifice was in so ruinous a condition that it was found necessary to rebuild it. The Corporation expended the sum of 1,700 <i>l.</i> and upwards in erecting and completing an entirely new hospital. The whole of this expense has been paid out of their general income, except Mr. Gray's donation of 100 <i>l.</i> , which was taken by the Corporation into their common stock, and applied towards defraying the same. The income of the hospital now consists of the Corporation's annual payment of 69 <i>l.</i> , the annual payment from Mr. Norfolk's gift of 10 <i>l.</i> and the rent of a garden in front of the hospital, which is lent for 7 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> per annum. The stipend of each of the 20 widows in the hospital is now 1 <i>l.</i> per quarter, which is regularly paid, and amounts in the whole to 80 <i>l.</i> per annum. The surplus income forms a fund for defraying the expense of keeping the hospital in repair; and in addition thereto, the first half year's stipend of each widow on her admission to the hospital is retained.
A donation of 100 <i>l.</i> - -	In June 1830, Jonathan Gray, of the city of York, esquire, out of certain funds at his disposal for charitable purposes, arising from the residuary personal estate of Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, late York, deceased, appropriated the sum of 100 <i>l.</i> , and paid the same to the Corporation for the benefit of this hospital.	

York, March 11, 1833.

Rob<sup>t</sup> Davies, Town Clerk.

## CORPORATE OFFICERS—York.

THE following are the present acting magistrates of the city of York, viz.:

The Rt. hon. James Barber	-	- Lord Mayor	-	- Jeweller.
John Wood, Esquire	-	- Recorder	-	- Barrister at Law.
John Pemberton Heywood, Esquire	-	- City Counsel	-	- Barrister at Law.
Eustachius Strickland, Esquire	-	- City Counsel	-	- Barrister at Law.
William Hotham, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Formerly Glove Manufacturer: now and for many years past out of business.
George Peacock, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Formerly Printer: now and for many years past out of business.
The Rt. hon. Lawrence Lord Dundas	-	- Alderman.		
Isaac Spencer, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Druggist: now out of business.
Thomas Smith, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Merchant.
William Dunsley, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Common Brewer: now out of business.
William Hutchinson Hearon, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Tea Dealer.
John Dales, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Druggist.
William Oldfield, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Wine Merchant.
William Cooper, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Wine Merchant: now out of business.
George Champney, Esquire	-	- Alderman	-	- Surgeon.
The Hon. Edward Robert Petre	-	- Alderman	-	- M. P. for the said city.

CORPORATE OFFICERS—*continued.*

The following persons have acted as magistrates of the said city during the last twenty years, but have ceased to act as such within that period.

Robert Sinclair, Esquire	-	-	- Recorder (deceased)	-	- Barrister at Law.
Samuel William Nicoll, Esquire	-	-	- Recorder (resigned)	-	- Barrister at Law.
Thomas Wilson, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	-	- Banker.
William Ellis, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	-	- Lace Weaver.
John Kilby, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (resigned)	-	- Common Brewer.
Robert Rhodes, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	-	- Merchant Tailor.
Samuel Wormald, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	-	- Tanner.
Richard Simpson, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	-	- Corn Merchant.
Robert Chaloner, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (resigned)	-	- Banker.
The Rt. hon. Earl Fitzwilliam	-	-	- Alderman (resigned).		
James Saunders, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	●	- Surgeon.
John Hodgson, Esquire	-	-	- Alderman (deceased)	-	- Woollen Draper.

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